
Resolution of the General Executive Board of the Industrial Workers of the World on Affiliation with the Third International, August 14, 1919.

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Department of Justice,
Bureau of Investigation,
New York City, April 26, 1920.

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, DC.

Attention Mr. Hoover:

Dear Sir:

The following memorandum was submitted to this office by a representative of the Thiel Detective Agency, which agency is at present engaged in representing the office of Maclay Hoyne, the County Prosecutor of Cook County, Illinois.

General Executive Board Meeting, IWW,
Chicago, August 14th, 1919.

Meeting of the General Executive Board called to order at 9:30 am by Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Whitehead. Amongst the resolutions introduced and adopted is the following:

Moved by Speed, seconded by King, that the following resolution be concurred in and that the Secretary-Treasurer and the secretaries of Industrial Unions shall act as a committee to communicate with officers of the Third International. Resolved, to communicate with officers of the Third International.

Resolved,

Whereas, the Soviet Republic of Russia in its call for the organization of the Third International, included the IWW as one of the bodies eligible to such new international, and,

Whereas, the Proletarian revolution is worldwide and not national or local in its scope;

Therefore, the time has come for the IWW to assume its proper place as the American Unit of the Workers' Red International, and to establish closer relations with groups of the same or similar principles in every country, such as the Communists of Russia, Hungary, Bavaria, etc., the Spartacans of Germany, the Syndicalists of France, Italy, and Great Britain, and other countries, and the Industrial Unionists of Canada and Australia; therefore, be it

Resolved, that the IWW shall create a committee on International Relations, which shall at once establish and maintain correspondence and fraternal relations with such aforesaid revolutionary groups throughout the world and shall provide for the presentation of the IWW as a constituent member of the Third International.

Carried unanimously.

Very truly yours,

George F. Lamb,
Division Superintendent.

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