

## Amendment For The Banning of Slate Voting

We propose that the constitution of the Red Party be amended to formally prohibit the use of slate voting. While it is currently not a practice within the Red Party, it is not prohibited by our constitution and party charter.

Rationale: The use of Slate voting, particularly when combined with public ballot, has been used since the degeneration of the Bolsheviks after 1926. This policy is generally resulted in stagnant central committees and open intimidation of party membership and workers. Freedom of both conscience and association are still values for socialists and all factions and/or positions, even opposing, should have a chance a popular representation without fear of party leadership reprisals.

Signed,

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