

For a Democratic-Republican Party:  
Abolish the Central Committee

The idea of the party of activists is in itself no more than a recognition that political activity is work—and that, like other forms of work, it benefits from (a) commitment and (b) an organised division of labour. It also has a ‘civic republican’ aspect to it. That is, it is counterposed to the liberal and market political-science view of parties, which sees party leaderships as firms offering political brands to the atomised voter-consumer or member-consumer. In contrast, in the ‘party of activists’, the party member is to be an active citizen of his or her party, through active involvement in a branch, fraction or other party body which does its own collective work as part of the party, and the passive consumer-member is not to have a vote.

— Mike Macnair, *Revolutionary Strategy*

Proposal to delegate all existing duties of the Central Committee to a centralized channel composed of all members of Red Party: the General Assembly. Votes, instead of taken on behalf of the rank and file by the CC, will be taken by majority ( $\geq 50\%$ ) GA vote. Necessary committees and delegates—e.g. electing a treasurer—will be determined by plurality (getting the most votes). Proposals should be easily accessible and organized into ‘threads’ or similarly contained units.

Votes involve anything of organization-wide importance. Branches should be granted autonomy so long that they do not violate the Program or Constitution. Members of branches may approach the GA to intervene in branch activities.

**Voting options: Yes, No, or Abstain.** An additional **Table** vote can push proposals to be reformulated by committee before coming up for a binding vote. When 25% of the GA vote to Table, the main vote is postponed until an elected committee reformulates the proposal.



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Proposal: we vote like this



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👍 : yes



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👎 : no



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🙋 : abstain



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👤 : table

—Lexi Katsopolis