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## Letter from Tom Mooney in San Quentin Prison to Joseph Stalin in Moscow, October 17, 1932.

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Joseph Stalin  
Russian Communist Party  
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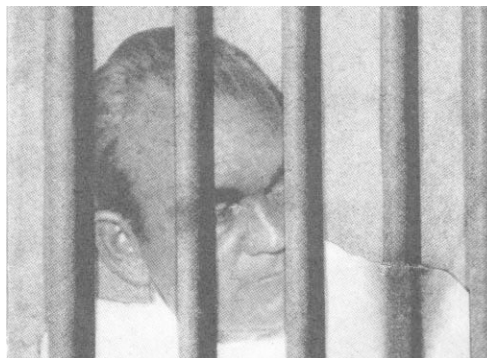
My dear Comrade Stalin:

Just three weeks from today (November 7th) marks the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Russian Proletarian Revolution, beyond any question the greatest happening in the whole history of the world so far as the working class is concerned.

It is my desire that you should know that I, along with millions of other revolutionary workers the world over will rejoice with you and your brave comrades all over the USSR and particularly in Moscow where I am assured that one of the greatest demonstrations ever held any other place in the universe at any time will take place in Red Square, on the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Russian Revolution.

I wish to extend to your and, through you, to all the Revolutionary workers of the USSR my most profound heartfelt proletarian gratitude for the magnificent spirit of International working class solidarity by the militant workers of Russia in defense of my fight for freedom, and for the freedom of all class war and political prisoners.

Were it not for the Revolutionary workers of Petrograd, led by our beloved comrade Lenin, in militant demonstrations before the American Embassy on April 25, 1917, I would not now be addressing these greetings to you from the TOMB that has held me prisoner for the past seventeen years. That wonderful



demonstration of International Solidarity by the militant workers of Petrograd saved my life and for this reason, I have a double, or two-fold reason to be happy and rejoice with you on this Fifteenth Anniversary of the Russian Proletarian Revolution. Thus, was my life saved and my usefulness to the revolutionary working class prolonged.

It is my hope that these revolutionary greetings to you and through you to the Toilers of the Soviet Union will be presented to you in person on the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Russian Revolution by my dear 84-year-old Mother who will be in Moscow on November 7th, 1932, in the continued interest of the working class fight for my freedom from the Dungeons of American Capitalist Imperialism.

All Hail to the Russian Revolution and the Dictatorship of the Proletariat. I'm for it hook, line and sinker, without equivocation or reservation. Please accept my warm personal regards and best wishes, I am

Comradely yours,

Tom Mooney,  
31921.

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