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Petrov, Vladimir. *What China Policy?* Hamden, Conn.: Shoe String Press, 1961. 141 p.

This book is a two-part study of the "Chinese issue" in which Mr. Petrov presents the results of his research conducted under the auspices of Yale University. In this highly controversial area of United States foreign policy, Mr. Petrov has achieved a remarkable degree of objectivity in his systematic presentation of arguments, formulated by authoritative sources, both *for* and *against* recognition of Communist China, and for the representation of that government in the United Nations. From this wealth of research, the author develops convincing reasons for his conclusions that the United States should continue its policy of nonrecognition.

Warner, Denis. *Hurricane from China*. New York: Macmillan, 1961. 210 p.

The author presents a very interesting discussion of the menace that Red China poses currently and in the future to the Western world. Part of the book traces the rise of Mao Tse-tung from a nondescript guerrilla, who, with a thousand men and two hundred rifles, conquered and now guides and controls a nation of 670 million people which will increase in population to over a billion by 1980. Considerable analysis is devoted to Mao's methods and intentions for the ultimate isolation and collapse of the "imperialist" United States and her allies. The remainder of the book deals with a discussion of the Chinese Communist Party and its prospects for survival.

Casuso, Teresa. *Cuba and Castro*. New York: Random House, 1961. 249 p.

The author was a close companion, advisor and personally-appointed ambassador-at-large of Fidel Castro. She reiterates what is common knowledge to American readers—the tempestuous character of the

Cuban leader—in an authentic and detailed biographical presentation. The broken promises to her people and the deterioration of an aggressive and sometimes sociable character to one obsessed with destruction, hatred, retaliation and self-importance, led the author to abandon Fidel in his confused struggle to govern the island. The entire book deals with the peculiar characteristics of Fidel Castro, descriptions of his personal relationships with those around him and his controversial abilities as a political leader.

Tucker, Robert C. *Philosophy and Myth in Karl Marx*.
London: Cambridge University Press, 1961. 263 p.

Dr. Tucker's thesis concentrates upon the early works of Karl Marx which were not made available for study until years after his death, and remain largely unknown even today. Dr. Tucker's critique of Marxism is devastating in its completeness and his concluding chapter is an excellent summary of its basic fallacies. In this chapter, the author contends that Marx's concept of communism is more nearly applicable to present-day America than his concept of capitalism, and from this premise proceeds to show the emptiness of his thought as a contribution in the continuing journey of the human mind towards self-clarification.