

Policy of Alliance and Constitutional Law

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Since the enactment of the new socialist constitution the policy of alliance as exercised by the working class under leadership of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany and the National Front of the Democratic Germany as a specific expression-form of the co-operation of the democratic and patriotic forces have also been constitutionally fixed. The role and responsibility of the National Front and the parties and mass-organizations united in this Front are fully appreciated in the constitution. In a cursory way the author surveys and recalls the first steps of the policy of alliance in the former Soviet occupation zone, the continued creative development in the process of the emergence of the Workers' and Peasants' Power, the establishment of the foundations of socialism and the victory of the socialist relations of production. The author, Vice-Chairman of the State Council of the GDR and Chairman of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany (LDPD), namely investigates the political way of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany to a principally close partner of the leading working class and its party during the Anti-fascist transition, the building of socialism and its completion, in the struggle for observing the national interests of the German people and for securing peace.

In our time the work of the LDPD as a partner of the working class is determined by the general aim of the social development in the GDR: the shaping of the developed social system of socialism. In the future this operation will be more than ever marked by common new ways of all democratic forces which each party has to open from its specific point of view. The essence of the policy of alliance during the stage of

the developed social system of the socialist society finds its expression in the fact that every party under the leadership of the working class party observes its specific tasks and assumes a higher responsibility in this sphere basing on the general interests. One criterion of the operation of the LDPD in the shaping of the economic system of socialism it is among others to help to open up the reserves in the not nationally owned economy to secure the unity between the reproduction process of the National Economy and the aim of the highest social effect. The task of the LDPD as a partner of the party of the working class will lie in the prognostic recognition of the specific problems of the strata of the population represented by it in order to help solve these problems in the sense of the socialist community of men with the force of the National Front. The main necessity which essentially influences the shaping of the relations of alliance between the working class and the other sections of the population in the stage of the developed social system of socialism is the development of a new way of thinking. This especially means to recognize the core of all political tasks in the developed social system of socialism, to solve no problem isolated from the others and to make social prognostication more and more to an element of the political work of the LDPD.

In a friendly alliance of all political forces of the GDR, in the bloc of the democratic parties and organizations all basic problems of the socialist development have been and are commonly deliberated, worked out and solved. Persistently and consistently and in an atmosphere of intensive political activity all parties realize every article of the socialist constitution in the National Front, make great efforts to use entirely the advantages and the motive powers of the development of socialism.