

Instead of a Reply to the Discussion

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Comrades, the discussion at this congress has revealed the complete unity of the views of our Party leaders on, one can say, all questions of Party policy. As you know, no objections whatever have been raised against the report. Hence, it has been revealed that there is extraordinary ideological, political and organizational solidarity in the ranks of our Party. (*Applause.*) The question arises: Is there any need, after this, for a reply to the discussion? I do not think there is. Permit me therefore to refrain from making any concluding remarks. (A stormy ovation. All the delegates rise to their feet. Thunderous shouts of "Hurrah!" A chorus of shouts: "Long live Stalin!" The delegates, all standing, sing the "Internationale," after which the ovation is resumed. Shouts of "Hurrah!" "Long live Stalin!" "Long live the C.C.!")

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