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ON FORM OF PRESENTATION, TALKING TO MYSELF

The whole problem is that there are too many disparate sections that nevertheless make up the whole, even though it was not what we considered the whole in the presentation of Perspectives. Rather, it is the whole in a sense of the combination of [redacted] the final Executive Session of any Plenum as well as an "End of the Year Summation" when we've had 3 months to carry out the decisions of a Convention or Plenum.

In a word, the chaotic form , as well as the informality of this pre-pre-Plenum dialogue with the REB, is due to the fact that the jamming up of the objective situation [redacted] when the myriad crises are literally innumerable, so that what is necessary is not [redacted] the speed of response to the challenge from the objective situation but the [redacted] MEANING of that global crisis , and not abstractly, but [redacted] organizationally, i.e. its philosophic ground. To the extent to which that involves a change in the frequency of the issuance of the paper and the imperativeness of practicing dialecticians, not so to speak in a 2 page form that we stressed in Workshop Classes, but rather in the year 1980, that we called "Year of the Book", RLWLKMM when we changed to a 12 pager AND THUS INITIATED Essay writing on the part of many. [redacted] Just as then it spontaneously turned out to be not just the new force of WL and the new EN , but rather a re-examination of the totality of Marx's Marxism, RESULTING IN THAT TOTALLY NEW CHAPTER 12 CHALLENGE TO ALL POST-MARX-MARXISTS, WHICH BECAME A PEJORATIVE, INCLUDING THE ONE WHO DID DIG INTO HEGEL -- LENIN, BUT DID NOT EXTEND THAT TO THE PARTY.

We no longer can leave that at just the political level, naturally separating ourselves from the concept of vanguard party and using such a fairly neutral word as "ambivalence" when it came to philosophy. That, too, can no longer continue.