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Addressed to war mutilated and those who returned from East Africa, Libya, Tunis and Russia.

- 1. The anti-national Fascist government, guilty of having dragged Italy into kkm its present ruin, imagines that it can stem the tide of popular wrath by showering honors on war heroes and placing them in compromising Party posts.
- 2. But there is one honor that the dictatorship cannot offer you, that which distinguishes the free citizen from the slave that of freedom. The heroism of the soldiers is of no avail when it is in the service of a band of thieves.
- 3. Whoever allies himself with fascism today allies himself with a decomposing corpse.
- 4. Fascism is the blackest page in our history. It is the epitome of all that is most decadent and false in our history. Mussolini enslaved Italy to Anglo-Xm French imperialism in the last war, to German imperialism in this one. The only authentic thing in fascism is an unrestrained thirst for power. Everything else is lies.
- 5. Fascism is not going to save itself by its present hyp/ccritical policy towards the mutilated and the combattents. Fascism is condemned.
- 6. This time there will be no repetition of the fratricidal antagonism between ex-soldiers and the civilian population, claiming bread, peace, freedom. No distinction between foreign and home fronts. All are involved in the same terrible destiny.