

International trade union network of solidarity and struggle
Réseau syndical international de solidarité et de luttes
Rede Sindical Internacional de solidariedade e de lutas
Red sindical internacional de solidaridad y de luchas
Rete sindacale internazionale di solidarietà e di lotta

www.laboursolidarity.org

Stop The Criminalization Of Working Class Struggles!

For Full Freedom of Speech, Organization and Assembly for Workers and Their Organizations!

The capitalists and their state have always worked to suppress the democratic rights of workers and the poor. There are numerous examples in history, since the eighteenth century, measures and laws whose purpose was to prohibit, in addition to repress strikes, unions and workers' demonstrations.

Criminalization, that capitalist century old feature which is part of Capital's DNA, has gained terrible dimension in the present historical period. To maintain and increase their huge profit rates and ensure the brutal exploitation of the working class all over the world, capitalists are used to criminalize those who oppose their plans, usually turning it into a state policy in many nations. The working class organizations unions, labor federations, social movements who refuse to collaborate with Capital and fight back exploitation are persecuted mercilessly.

Through antiunion laws capitalists seek to impose their social order. The police, military and paramilitary repression are also key elements for the maintenance of the capitalist order. The murder of hundreds of trade unionists by paramilitary groups in Colombia and police repression against demonstrators in May 1 demos in Korea and Turkey, as well as the recent massacre in Marikana, carried out against a miners' strike in South Africa are clear examples of police brutality, together with the recent disappearance of dozens of young Mexicans in Ayotzinapa.

In order to defeat the struggles of radicalized sectors that represent the backbone of the union movement, capitalists employ all their weapons: antiunion laws, police repression, arrests, dismissals, scabs, courts, and extensive work by the media to isolate the strikers before the working population.

The repression and criminalization against workers is also carried out in poor neighborhoods. The recent militarization of Black neighborhoods, such demonstrates a trend of repression on civilians, even if not in direct struggle against capitalists and their governments.

International events such as the Olympics and FIFA World Cup leave a legacy of setbacks such as the formation of special courts for FIFA World Cup and the consequent restriction of rights of movement and assembly, arrests and investigations against activists.

There are also dictatorships, apartheid regimes, military interventions and foreign occupation, which represent forms of widespread repression against the workers and peoples.

In the ideological field, the capitalist system imposes increasing barriers for people to have access to free media. Censorship on the media, either through explicit prohibitions, and either by concentrating means of media grounded in legal terms, such as the repression of community radios. In the legal field, devices such as "interditos proibitórios" (judiciary decisions to preserve private property rights) appear as tools against direct manifestations of workers; laws such as defamation ones are also widely used worldwide as a way to suppress and silence journalists and activists who oppose and criticize governments and the powerful. Lockouts are another way the bosses employ when their profits are threatened.

On top of physical repression on populations and workers movements, technological advancements provide the means for an indiscriminate and widespread surveillance by governments and intelligence agencies. Invasions of privacy are carried out from both clandestine software and security agencies such as the NSA (US National Security Agency) in collaboration with companies

such as Facebook, Whatsup, Google, Microsoft, Apple, YouTube, among others. The International Labour Network of Solidarity and Struggles cannot be absent in this battle against the criminalization of labor and popular movements.

We must report all cases of criminalization, be them carried out through antiunion or freedom of speech restriction laws; or through police, military and paramilitary brutality against labor and popular movements; or through arrests, layoffs and scabs. We defend each and every democratic right of workers, be them established de facto or predicted in national and international laws, such as the ILO conventions for the freedom of labor organization and against unjustified dismissals. We are opposed to military interventions, foreign occupations, civil and military dictatorships, as well as all kinds of repression enforced by democraticbourgeois regimes. We say no to apartheid promoted by the State of Israel against the Palestinian people.

The International Labour Network of Solidarity and Struggles is committed to international solidarity against the criminalization of struggles, carrying out international campaigns and using the network media platforms for spreading information. The network can and should serve as a tool in order to develop campaigns for unrestricted right to strike. We need unity and solidarity among those who struggle across the world in order to challenge and defeat this powerful weapon of Capital which criminalization represents.

Les organisations membres du Réseau syndical international de solidarité et de lutte

Organisations syndicales nationales interprofessionnelles

- Central Sindical e Popular Conlutas (**CSP-Conlutas**) - Brésil.
- Confederación General del Trabajo (**CGT**) - Etat espagnol.
- Union syndicale Solidaires (**Solidaires**) - France.
- Confédération Générale du Travail du Burkina (**CGT-B**) - Burkina.
- Confederation of Indonesia People's Movement (**KPRI**) - Indonésie.
- Confederación Intersindical (**Intersindical**) - Etat espagnol.
- Syndicat National Autonome des Personnels de l'Administration Publique (**SNAPAP**) - Algérie.
- Batay Ouvriye - Haïti.
- Unione Sindacale Italiana (**USI**) - Italie.
- Confédération Nationale des Travailleurs - Solidarité Ouvrière (**CNT SO**) - France.

- Sindicato de Comisiones de Base (**CO.BAS**) - Etat espagnol.
- Organisation Générale Indépendante des Travailleurs et Travailleuses d'Haïti (**OGTHI**) - Haïti.
- Sindacato Intercategoriale Cobas (**SI COBAS**) - Italie.
- Confédération Nationale du Travail (**CNT-f**) - France.
- Intersindical Alternativa de Catalunya (**IAC**) - Catalogne.
- Union Générale des Travailleurs Sahraouis (**UGTSARIO**) - Sahara occidental.
- Ezker Sindikalaren Konbergentzia (**ESK**) - Pays basque.
- Confédération Nationale de Travailleurs du Sénégal Forces du Changement (**CNTS/FC**) - Sénégal.
- Independent Trade Unions for Egyptian Federation (**EFITU**) - Egypte.
- Sindicato Autorganizzato Lavorator COBAS (**SIAL-COBAS**) - Italie.
- General Federation of Independent Unions (**GFIU**) - Palestine.
- Confederación de la Clase Trabajadora (**CCT**) - Paraguay.
- Red Solidaria de Trabajadores - Perou

Organisations syndicales nationales professionnelles

- National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers (**RMT/TUC**) - Grande-Bretagne.
- Centrale Nationale des Employés - Confédération Syndicale Chrétienne (**CNE/CSC**) - Belgique.
- Sindicato Nacional de Trabajadores del Sistema Agroalimentario (**SINALTRAINAL/CUT**) - Colombie.
- Fédération Générale des Postes, Telecom et Centres d'appel - Union Générale Tunisienne du Travail (**FGPTT/UGTT**) - Tunisie.
- Trade Union in Ethnodata - Trade Union of Employees in the Outsourcing Companies in the financial sector - Grèce.
- Syndicat national des travailleurs des services de la santé humaine (**SYNTRASEH**) - Bénin
- Sindicato dos Trabalhadores da Fiocruz (**ASFOC-SN**) - Brésil.
- Organizzazione Sindacati Autonomi e di Base Ferrovie (**ORSA Ferrovie**) - Italie.
- Union Nationale des Normaliens d'Haïti (**UNNOH**) - Haïti.
- Confederazione Unitaria di Base Scuola Università Ricerca (**CUB SUR**) - Italie.
- Confederazione Unitaria di Base Immigrazione (**CUB Immigrazione**) - Italie.
- Coordinamento Autorganizzato Trasporti (**CAT**) - Italie.
- Confederazione Unitaria di Base Credito e Assicurazioni (**CUB SALLCA**) - Italie.
- Syndicat des travailleurs du rail - Union Nationale des Travailleurs du Mali (**SYTRAIL/UNTM**) - Mali.
- Gıda Sanayii İşçileri Sendikası - Devrimci İşçi Sendikaları Konfederasyonu (**GIDA-İŞ/DISK**) - Turquie.
- Syndicat National des Travailleurs du Petit Train Bleu/SA (**SNTPTB**) - Sénégal.
- Asociación Nacional de Funcionarios Administrativos de la Caja de Seguro Social (**ANFACSS**) - Panama.
- Conseil des Lycées d'Algérie (**CLA**) - Algérie.
- Confederazione Unitaria di Base Trasporti (**CUB Trasporti**) - Italie.
- Syndicat de l'Enseignement Supérieur Solidaire (**SESS**) - Algérie.
- Palestinian Postal Service Workers Union (**PPSWU**) - Palestine.
- Union Syndicale Etudiante (**USE**) - Belgique.
- Sindicato dos Trabalhadores de Call Center (**STCC**) - Portugal.
- Sindicato Unitario de Trabajadores Petroleros (**Sinutapetrolgas**) - Venezuela.
- Alianza de Trabajadores de la Salud y Empleados Publicos - Mexique.
- Canadian Union of Postal Workers / Syndicat des travailleurs et travailleuses des postes (**CUPW-STTP**) - Canada.

Organisations syndicales locales

- Trades Union Congress, Liverpool (**TUC Liverpool**) - Angleterre.
- Sindacato Territoriale Autorganizzato, Brescia (**ORMA Brescia**) - Italie.
- Fédération syndicale SUD Service public, canton de Vaud (**SUD Vaud**) - Suisse
- Sindicato Unitario de Catalunya (**SU Metro**) - Catalogne.
- Türkiye DERİ-İŞ Sendikası, Tuzla et Izmir (**DERİ-İŞ Tuzla et Izmir**) - Turquie.
- L'autre syndicat, canton de Vaud (**L'autre syndicat**) - Suisse
- Centrale Générale des Services Publics FGTB, Ville de Bruxelles (**CGSP/FGTB Bruxelles**) - Belgique
- Arbeitskreis Internationalismus IG Metall, Berlin (**IG Metall Berlin**) - Allemagne
- Sindicato Unificado de Trabajadores de la Educación de Buenos Aires, Bahia Blanca - (**SUTEBA/CTA de los trabajadores Bahia Blanca**) - Argentine
- Sindicato del Petróleo y Gas Privado del Chubut/CGT - Argentine.

Organisations syndicales internationales

- Industrial Workers of the World - International Solidarity Commission (**IWW**)

Courants, tendances ou réseaux syndicaux

- Transnationals Information Exchange Germany (**TIE Germany**) - Allemagne.
- Emancipation tendance intersyndicale (**Emancipation**) - France.
- Globalization Monitor (**Gmo**) - Hong Kong.
- Courant Syndicaliste Révolutionnaire (**CSR**) - France.
- No Austerity - Coordinamento delle lotte - Italie.
- Solidarité Socialiste avec les Travailleurs en Iran (**SSTI**) - France.
- Basis Initiative Solidarität (**BASO**) - Allemagne.
- LabourNet Germany - Allemagne.
- Resistenza Operaia - operai Fiat-Irisbus - Italie.