Re: Defend rail workers’ jobs, pay, conditions and pensions

In light of this week’s industrial action on the UK’s railways and London Underground, we are writing to call on you to meet with the transport unions to discuss rail workers’ concerns and enable the unions to reach a negotiated settlement to the disputes with rail employers.

As affiliates of the International Transport Workers’ Federation, we are shocked that less than a year after hosting COP26, the UK Government is set to impose cuts to railway services and scrap infrastructure projects at exactly the time when it should be investing, expanding and promoting public transport, especially the railways to help reduce global emissions from transport.

Safe and sustainable railways can help power our world out of the economic, climate and social crisis we face.

We call on you to do what’s right by these workers and their communities, and call on you to meet urgently with the transport unions.

Signed in solidarity with transport unions around the world,

International Transport Workers’ Federation
European Transport Workers’ Federation

Alongside 105 affiliated unions in solidarity with RMT, Unite the Unite, ASLEF and TSSA railway workers
All India Railwaymen's Federation
All Japan Prefectural and Municipal Workers'Union (JUCHIRO)
All Pakistan Civil Transport Workers' Union
Amalgamated Transport and General Workers' Union
Amalgamated Union of Seafarers
Artisans and General Workers' Union
Asociación de Señaleros Ferroviarios Argentinos
Asy Labour Union
Associated Labor Unions
Australian Maritime Officers Union (AMOU)
Australian Rail, Tram & Bus Industry Union (RTBU)
Auto, Taxi & Private Sector Transport Workers HMS Federation
Aviation Industry Employees' Guild
Belgische Transportarbeidersbond Union Belge du Transport et de la logistique
Birlesik Tasmacilik İşçisi Sendikasi (BTS) (United Transport Workers' Union)
Bulgarian Seafarers' Trade Union
Cambodian Transportation Workers' Federation (CTWF)
Deniz Çalisanlari Dayanisma Dernegi (DAD-DER) Marine Employees' Solidarity Association (MESA)
Dock, Maritime, Shipyard and Warehouse Workers' Union of Turkey (LİMAN-İŞ)
Eisenbahn- und Verkehrsgewerkschaft (EVG)
Federation Bolivariana de los Trabajadores
Finnish Seafarers’ Union (FSU)
Finnish Transport Workers’ Union
First Union
FNV
Forward Seamen's Union of India
Gambia Maritime and Seafarers Workers Unions
Garuda Indonesia Flight Attendant Association (Katan Awak Kabin Garuda Indonesia)
General Union of Port Workers
Genereale Federation of Private Railway Workers'Unions of Japan (PRU)
Georgian Railway Workers New Trade Union
Georgian Seafarers' Union
Gewerkschaft vida
GMB
Independent Democracy of Informal Economy Association
Indonesian Railway Workers Union (Serikat Pekerja Kereta Api)
International Organisation of Masters, Mates & Pilots
Iranian Merchant Mariners Syndicate
Japan Confederation of Railway Workers'Unions (JRU)
Japan Railway Trade Unions' Confederation (JR Rengo)
Kapers Cabin Crew Union
Kapisanan ng mga Manggagawa sa GOCCs at GFls - Transport Group
Kenya Hotels and Allied Workers' Union
Kenya Long Distance Truck Drivers & Allied Workers Union
Korean Public Service and Transport Workers’ Union
Korean Railway Industry Trade Union
Labor Committee of Aden Container Terminal
Lebanese Cabin Crew Association
Lebanese Seaman’s Syndicate
Marine Engineers’ Beneficial Association
Maritime Union of Australia
Merchant Navy Officers’ Guild - Hong Kong
National Railway Workers’ Union (KOKURO)
National Road Transport Section NSZZ “Solidarity”
National Union of Seafarers of India (NUSI)
Nautilus International (UK)
New Maritime & General Kamgar Sanghatana
Nigeria Union of Railway Workers
Norsk Jernbaneforbund
Norsk Lokomotivmannsforsombund
NSZZ Solidarnosc
Pakistan Seamen's Union
Pan-Hellenic Seamen's Federation (PNO)
People's Unity of PIA Employees
Port Workers' Union of the Philippines (PWUP)
Public Transport Operators Union
Rail and Maritime Transport Union Inc.
Railway and Allied Workers' Union
Rautatiealan Unioni (Railway Union) - RAU
Romanian Seafarers' Free Union
Seafarers' International Union of Canada
Serikat Karyawan PT Garuda Indonesia Tbk (SEKARGA)
Services, Industrial, Professional and Technical Union (SIPTU)
Shivsangram Taxi and Rickshaw Union
Sindicato Nacional dos Trabalhadores da Marinha Mercante e Pescas (SINTMAP)
Sindikat Pomoraca Hrvatske (Seafarers’ Union of Croatia)
South Asia Pakistan Terminal Ltd Democratic Workers Union (SAPTL - DWU)
State Enterprise Labour Union of Expressway Authority of Thailand (LU-EXAT)
State Railway Workers' Union of Thailand (SRUT)
Syndicate of Workers of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company (Sandikaye Kargarane Sherkate Vahed)
The Maritime Union of India
The Railwaymen's Union of Malaysia
The State Enterprise Electrified Train Workers' Union (SEEITU)
Train Drivers' Union of Slovenia
Transport & Communication Workers’ Unions Industrial Federation
Transport Employees Union Bihar
Transport Workers Union Kenya (TAWU)
Transport Workers' Union of Australia (TWU)
Türkiye Denizciler Sendikasi (Seafarers’ Union of Turkey) (TURK DENIZ-İŞ)
Tuticorin Port Mariners’ and General Staff Union
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