A meeting of Maersk Network representatives was held in Copenhagen on 10th April 2018, the day before the AP Moller Maersk Annual General Meeting, (AGM) which ITF also attended.

The Network meeting received updates regarding Maersk shipping, APM Terminals and Svitzer and discussed issues of concern to affiliates. In addition Maersk Line gave a presentation on automation, and the Head of Global Employee Relations for Maersk, Ruud van der Well, also attended to provide an update and answer questions.

A meeting of APM Terminals affiliates from Latin America had been held the previous month in Buenos Aires and at this meeting a number of industrial relations issues were highlighted. The concerns regarding this region were raised at the company AGM.

The ITF intervention at the company AGM reiterated our desire for continued constructive dialogue with the company both nationally and globally, including further meetings on automation. In response to the ITF concerns relating to Latin America the company expressed a desire for upholding their Corporate Social Responsibility policies in every region of the world.

Work is now taking place to gather evidence on potential breaches of the Maersk Corporate Social Responsibility policies in Latin America.