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IndustriALL Global Union calls on Bridgestone to intervene at its Mexican subsidiary to achieve resumption of negotiations with the union

Dear Mr. Masaaki Tsuya,

I am writing this letter to you as the General Secretary of IndustriALL Global Union, which represents more than fifty million workers in mining, energy and manufacturing sectors throughout the world, including Japan and Mexico, to call on the Bridgestone Corporation to intervene at its Mexican subsidiary to ensure the resumption of negotiations with the Sindicato Nacional de Trabajadores de General Tire de Mexico (SNTGTM), which is affiliated to IndustriALL, regarding the rubber sector contract.

IndustriALL Global Union is shocked to learn that Bridgestone-Firestone Mexico refused the call, which is mandatory, from the Secretary of Labor and Social Security on 26 January 2017 to negotiate the revision of the current contract governing the transformation of rubber into manufactured products.

As the current contract will expire on 1 March, it is imperative that the Bridgestone Corporation instruct Bridgestone-Firestone Mexico to resume immediate negotiations with the Sindicato Nacional de Trabajadores de General Tire de Mexico (SNTGTM) over the review of the current rubber sector contract.

Sincerely,

Valter Sanches
General Secretary

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