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## IndustriALL calls on Indonesian authorities to make amends for brutal attack on PT CKA Indofood workers

Your Excellency,

I am writing this letter to you on behalf of <u>IndustriALL Global Union</u>, which represents more than fifty million workers throughout the whole manufacturing supply chain, in the metal packaging industry, in some 140 countries worldwide, to condemn the violence perpetrated by members of the police against peaceful striking PT CKA Indofood workers.

IndustriALL's proud Indonesian trade union affiliate FSPMI has organized this workplace and attempted to bargain for fair wages. The response has been violence and brutality from the police. 539 of the total 890 PT Indofood CKA workforce are FSPMI members.

I am appalled to learn of this egregious violation of workers' rights at PT Indofood CKA in Jakarta. How is it possible that in the 21<sup>st</sup> century an employer can hire out the state police to brutally attack their own workers? This sickening attack must be dealt with, violence must stop, workers must be compensated for the damage of their property, the six detained workers must be freed, and the government and police must do all in their power to enable peaceful social bargaining at this workplace with the FSPMI.

This treatment of workers exercising their inalienable right to organize and bargain collectively shows the worse possible image of Indonesia to the world. You must use your influence to rectify this unacceptable situation and heal the wounds made by your police's violence.

IndustriALL Global Union calls for:

- Release the 6 workers.
- Hire back laid-off workers
- Undertake a prompt and thorough investigation into violence used against protesters;

• Respect the right to freedom of association, in line with ILO Convention 87 which Indonesia has ratified;

Sincerely,

Jyrki Raina General Secretary