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To the Parliamentary Coordinators of the Mexican Congress

Dear Sir,

The Indian National Mineworkers' Federation representing 400,000 Indian mineworkers expresses its deep concern over the regressive labour law reform proposal for your consideration, under a new "preferential" fast track process.

We believe that the proposed labour law reform would destroy the independent trade union movement in Mexico by effectively eliminating the already difficult openings through which groups of workers can obtain representation by the union of their choice.

Regardless of the legality of the fast-track process, it is clearly undemocratic and violating international labour and human rights standards, including ILO Conventions 87 and 98.

We request you to put an end to this proposed law reform initiative and instead help launch a national social dialogue that will give a voice to independent trade unions and is fully consistent with workers' human and labour rights, with particular emphasis on the full realization of the rights to freedom of association and collective bargaining.

With best wishes,



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