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## IndustriALL Global Union in solidarity with OWTU in struggle against privatisation of Petrotrin

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I am writing to you on behalf of [IndustriALL Global Union](http://www.industrial-all-union.org), which represents more than 50 million workers in the mining, energy and manufacturing sectors in 140 countries, to express our full support and solidarity with the struggle of the Oilfields Workers' Trade Union (OWTU) against the government's plans to privatize the country's largest state enterprise, the Petroleum Company of Trinidad and Tobago (Petrotrin).

IndustriALL Global Union fully supports the workers' staunch defence of the national patrimony and their refusal to give away Trinidad and Tobago's natural resources to private interests.

Furthermore, IndustriALL Global Union calls on the Government of Trinidad and Tobago to include the Oilfields Workers' Trade Union (OWTU), which is the recognised majority union at Petrotrin, in any discussions involving the restructuring of the company. It is imperative that the government conduct negotiations affecting the future of the company in a democratic and transparent fashion to ensure that the country's assets are managed in the best interest of the people.

We stand in solidarity with the Oilfields Workers' Trade Union (OWTU), and we are ready to mobilize our affiliates worldwide in support of your struggle.

In solidarity,



Valter Sanches, General Secretary