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To IndustriALL Global Union Sri Lankan affiliates

IndustriALL Global Union stands in solidarity with its affiliates and Sri Lankan people

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I am writing this letter to you on behalf of IndustriALL Global Union, which represents more than fifty million workers in 140 countries to express solidarity and to stand shoulder to shoulder with the people of Sri Lanka as the country was struck by one of the deadliest coordinated terror attacks in the world on 21 April.

We condemn in the strongest terms these terrorist attacks, which targeted hotels and churches on Easter Sunday and took the lives of more than 300 people, and injured more than 500. We are also extremely concerned about the fate of several hotel workers, members of SLNSS, who might have perished at the Kingsbury and Cinnamon Grand hotels. Our hearts go out to the families of the victims of this terrible tragedy.

We truly hope that these heinous attacks will not generate more violence, and that instead, the government will respond firmly but strictly within the rule of law and in full respect of fundamental human rights.

We call on the government of Sri Lanka to bring to justice those responsible for these terrorist attacks.

At this critical juncture, we stand together with the Sri Lankan trade union movement, and the people of Sri Lanka, and we look forward to extending all possible support through global solidarity.

In solidarity,



Valter Sanches
General Secretary