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Request to open cooperative labour consultations with Peru in the context of US-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement (PTPA)

Dear Mr. Perez,

I am writing on behalf of [IndustriALL Global Union](#), which represents 50 million workers in the manufacturing, mining and energy sectors in 140 countries, including Peru and the United States of America, to urge the Department of Labor to take appropriate action to ensure that Peru lives up to its labor commitments under the US-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement (PTPA).

IndustriALL Global Union has long been concerned about Peru's regime of non-traditional exports, which has condemned textile and garment workers in the country's highly profitable export sector to a lifetime of short-term contracts without any protection of their fundamental labor rights.

Our affiliate, the Federación Nacional de Trabajadores Textiles del Perú (FNTTP), was one of the signatory unions to the complaint submitted to the Department of Labor alleging that the Government of Peru is failing to adhere to the labor standards contained in the PTPA.

We were very pleased when, in March of this year, the Department of Labor accepted the petition and initiated a period of review. That review closes on 18 December. Unfortunately, based on our knowledge of Peru's textile and garment export sector, we are acutely aware that there has been no improvement in the labor situation in Peru during this period.

We therefore call on the Department of Labor, in accordance with the provisions of the US-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement (PTPA), to request cooperative labor consultations with Peru in order to reach a mutually satisfactory resolution in line with the recommendations contained in the complaint, which aim to address key areas of non-compliance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Valter Sanches". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial letter.

Valter Sanches
General Secretary