

## **Agenda item 9**

### **Statement against terror of IndustriALL Global Union's Executive Committee Phnom Penh 10 December 2015**

Meeting in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on 9-10 December 2015, members and all participants of the Executive Committee meeting of IndustriALL Global Union, representing 50 million industrial workers worldwide, make the following statement on the recent increase in terrorist attacks in different parts of the world:

We are shaken, shocked and appalled at the awful terrorist attacks against innocent people in France, Turkey, Mali, Nigeria, Tunisia, Lebanon, Syria, and the USA, as well as on the plane flying from Egypt to Russia.

We condemn in the strongest terms these attacks, and mourn together with the world for all the victims and express our heartfelt condolences to their families.

We stand in solidarity with people and trade unions all over the world, particularly in the countries where these attacks happened.

These attacks do not target only these countries, but all peace-loving people. They are an attack on our common principles of human dignity, mutual respect and tolerance.

We are doing and will continue to do everything, in our power to build a world based on principles of equality, tolerance, peace, and respect for human dignity, a world in which terrorists can never be successful.

We stand for freedom, solidarity, equality and democratic societies. We refuse to be diverted to the road of radicalism and xenophobia.

We will not be intimidated and driven into hatred and misanthropy.

We do not allow ourselves to be played off against each other over nationality, religious, political or other differences. Different cultures and religions enrich our society and the world. Globalization developed into a process with two contradicting tendencies. On the one hand, the world was integrated into a global economic system. But at the same time the biggest part of the population was socially marginalized and bereaved of their rights.

Terror can only be eliminated in societies that guarantee equal access to land, adequate housing, social security, education, culture, and quality jobs for all. Fighting terrorism can never be an excuse to limit democratic rights or individual and collective freedoms.

We reject all attempts to stigmatise refugees, who are victims of political and economic violence. We commend those countries that have opened their doors to refugees from Syria and other nations

We will continue to live by our shared values and through our trade union work to represent together, without any exceptions, the interests of all workers.