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TO THE GENERAL SECRETARIES OF  
ALL AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

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Dear Colleague,

## Fund for Chilean Trade Unionists

You will know that some Chilean trade union leaders have been executed and others imprisoned by the military authorities. Many have been forced to seek refuge in foreign embassies or outside Chile altogether. There is a widespread need for aid for them and for their families and particularly a need for funds to allow those who are able to leave to settle in other countries, perhaps even in Britain.

The General Council have already made a grant of £1,000 which is to be used for these purposes by the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, but the need is very much greater than can be met by funds presently available.

The General Council have decided to appeal to all affiliated unions to join in making a very substantial effort to help, commensurate with the tragic scale of oppression in Chile. Contributions should be sent to these offices, earmarked Chilean Trade Unionists.

Yours sincerely,

LIONEL MURRAY

General Secretary.