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With

Dear Sir,

My Executive Committee have had their attention drawn to still further attacks on Trade Unionists in Chile, with particular reference to the fact that on the 20th October the offices of seven Trade Union organisations were raided and a decree was issued banning all seven, with the addition of a further three Unions the following day. Those banned to date are:-

- The National Federation of Building Workers
- The Confederation of Peasants and Indigenous Peoples
- Confederation of United Peasants and Workers
- National Federation of Miners
- National Federation of Metalworkers
- National Federation of Textile Workers
- White Collar Construction Workers - Santiago Area
- Petroleum Workers Union
- Chilean Workers Union
- The Iron and Steel Workers Union

My Executive Committee seek your assistance in making representations to the Chilean authorities deploring the attack on Trade Unions and, in particular, to obtain the release of those Trade Union members who have been arrested.

We appeal to the I.L.O. to help our colleagues and, if possible, to send a representative from the I.L.O. to Chile to make protests there and investigate the developments.

Yours fraternally,

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