

## Confederation of Trade Unions Myanmar

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Condemns the regime for denying Freedom of Association and Freedom of Speech to the workers.

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## And injustice to One is an Injustice to ALL

The military regime has announced to the world that not only will they neglect a general election result they also deny Freedom of Association and Freedom of Expression to the working people of Myanmar.

The Confederation of Trade Unions Myanmar CTUM had issued a policy statement on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January that we do not accept any backward step on Myanmars' democratization process.

In announcing that the following organizations ---

- 1. All Burma Federation of Trade Unions (ABFTU)
- 2. Lets Help Each Other LHEO
- 3. Future Light Center (FLC)
- 4. Action Labor Rights ALR
- 5. 5. All Myanmar Trade Unions network (AMTUN)
- 6. Agriculture Federation of Myanmar (AFM)
- 7. Association of Labor and Development (ALD)
- 8. Federation of Garment Workers Myanmar (FGWM)
- 9. Labor Action Group (LAG)
- 10. Labor Power Group (LPG)
- 11. We Generation Networks
- 12. Young Chi Oo Workers Associatio (YCOWA)
- 13. Solidarity Trade Unions Myanmar (STUM)
- 14. Coordination Committee of Trade Unions ( CCTU )
- 15. Myanmar Petroleum Workers Labor Federation (MPWLF)
- 16. Industrial Women Workers Organization (IWWO)

--- as unlawful, the regime is insulting the workers of Myanmar as well as all the international community that helped to draw up the Labor Organization Law of 2011 and continuing work through the Stake Holders Forum on the needed amendments.

In doing so, the regime is destroying the young Tripartite nature, the young Industrial Relations nature of both our workers and employers. Whether the above organizations are registered or not is not the issue but working as organized groups and providing training on understanding on the democratic elections of the trade unions, the understanding of the need to negotiate, the studying of the Labor Law, the study and practice on the Violence Against women, Eradication of Child labor, Eradication of Forced Labor, opening the eyes of the workers to Occupational safety and Health,

preparing the works for the Digital revolution, preparing the workers for the Sustainable Development Goals, helping the Migrant Labor, helping out in the Covid 19 sanitization and support are what all these organizations do and it is crime to declare these organizations illegal.

Issuing warrants to the CTUM Trade Union leaders of the Industrial sector / the Construction sector / the Railway members of Insein and attacks on the different Railway yards is attacking the workers who are asking in a Civic Disobedience that their democratic votes be respected.

CTUM condemns the regime, its advisors, it's informers on the destroying of the democratic transition.

CTUM states that the compensation for the workers, dismissed oduring the CDM movement, whether the informal sector, private sector or civil servants will be from the individual wealth of the Generals and their lackeys who, as a group are committing all these crimes against the whole population of Myanmar.

CTUM is asking the respective international governments to review the persons and their spouses who hold their citizenship and yet advise / abet / support the regime in their attacks on the workers and the general population.

CTUM calls upon the ILO to deny access to the regime of all ILO meetings and conferences.

CTUM calls upon the International Trade Union Solidarity to start taking action to NOT service the regimes **communications** / **financing and transport sectors**.

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