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Dear Colleagues,

The European Trade Union Confederation and the Pan-European Regional Council of the International Trade Union Confederation fully support the demands of our affiliates in Ukraine, as expressed by the All-Ukraine Trade Union Forum “For Decent Work and Welfare of People” held on 7 October in Kiev.

We, like you, recognise that Ukraine is facing a very difficult situation and the importance of addressing the military situation in the East. We also agree that the unity and cohesion of Ukraine are necessary and that this cannot be achieved by breaking the principles of social dialogue, but rather by reinforcing them.

I have today asked the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, as well as the Commissioners for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy, and for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, to extend all possible support to the Ukrainian trade union Movement and take all necessary actions to bring the Ukrainian authorities to respect their commitment to promote the decent work agenda, employment policy, health and safety at work, social dialogue, social protection, social inclusion, gender equality and non-discrimination, as undertaken in the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement.


You can be sure of our continued support.

With best wishes in your endeavours.

Yours sincerely,



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