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Dear Sister Žilić, Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have informed by our affiliate UATUC about the unlawful activities of the Zagreb municipal authorities and principals against SOMK members for exercising their right to peaceful assemblies and protest actions.

We share the concerns and anger of our brothers and sisters in Croatia, who mobilised on 5 May for decent working conditions, about the retaliation measures of the authorities that followed the protests. In the attached letter to the Mayor of Zabreb, we expressed our concerns and requested to stop any pressure on workers who took part in the lawful protest action and to ensure that their fundamental rights for association, assembly and expression are duly respected.

Your fight is ours. We promote trade union rights all around the world and, on behalf of our 180 million members, we would like to convey to you our solidarity and support.

In Solidarity

General Secretary

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