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THE ARAB TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION (ATUC)

SIGN THE PETITION TODAY!

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Solidarity Support against Violations of Trade Union Rights in Egypt and Algeria

At the 104th session of the International Labor Conference (ILC) held in Geneva, June 1-14, 2015, the Government of Algeria “assured” the ILO Committee of Experts on Application of Standards (CAS) that it was seeking to bring national legislation in line with ILO convention norms. A resolution on freedom of association was adopted by the CAS, ordering the GoA to reintegrate the suspended and dismissed unionists; rapidly register the unions which have applied for registrations; and ensure the monitoring of the draft labor code and its conformity with the international conventions ratified by the GoA. Despite the CAS recommendations, the GoA is still not respecting to these recommendations from the last ILC meeting and continues its pressure and violence against workers right activists for defending their legitimate social and economic rights

In Egypt, the Government is engaging in a fierce campaign against independent trade unions and made repeated violations against workers and their trade union rights namely: the non-respect of the 2013 recommendation of the ILO CAS to ensure respect of international conventions and to reconcile national legislation with these conventions ratified by Egypt; and to enact a law on Freedom of Association conformed with the provision of the ILO conventions.

The Government of Egypt (GOE) refuses to implement the ILO conventions it has ratified and to enact national legislations that are aligned with international norms and standards. The ministries issued decrees to restrict independent unions’ activities which are in violation of the Egyptian constitution. In addition, it prohibits trade unionists from conducting union activities such the right to strike and intensified violations of their rights through abusive transfers and harassment.

We urge you to sign this petition in solidarity with workers and with the General Confederation of Autonomous Workers in Algeria (CGATA), the Egyptian Democratic Labor Confederation (EDLC), and the Egyptian Federation of Independent Trade Unions (EFITU) in Algeria and Egypt against violations of Trade Union Rights to ensure a climate free of violence and harassment against trade unionists and workers’ rights activists, and to protect these activists from arbitrary arrests, abusive transfers and harassment for exercising their rights to freedom of association and expression.