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(Denied) speech by the FTE of Mexico

The FTE of Mexico reaffirms the political independence, i.e., the class independence of the workers and peoples of the world. The following is the speech by the FTE of Mexico prepared (and denied) for the 16th World Trade Union Congress, hold in Athens, Greece.



16th World Trade Union Congress, 6-9 April 2011, Athens, Greece

(DENIED) SPEECH BY THE FTE OF MEXICO

Alive the class struggle concept!

Dear workers of the world:

From the land of sky observers, watchmakers at the stars, the inventors of the zero, all of whom was devoted to measure time, of the Maya civilization, a delegation of Mexican workers has come to this millennial land. Our delegation is called Emiliano Zapata, in honor to the first centenary of the Mexican Revolution.

When being here with admiration we appreciate the work of Pythagoras, Plato and

Aristotle. Also to Greek materialistic, Democritus and Epicurus, whose philosophy of nature was studied in his doctoral thesis by the guide of the international proletariat. Equal to thinkers masterfully painted by Raphael Sanzio in the "School of Athens".

Nowadays, the Energy Workers' Front, of Mexico, presents a cordial greeting to the Greek workers in struggle against neo-liberalism,

2011, elektron 11 (110) 2, FTE of Mexico especially to the militants of the PAME of Greece.

We that have been always loyalty beside the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU), consider that realization of this congress means a step forward of the many that we still lack.

Contrary to desire of the thinkers of the imperialism, that some years ago declared the end of history, the concrete reality in all peoples and nations reveals that proletariat has not left neither the class struggle has finished.

Everywhere on the world, contradiction between the social force, represented by the capital, and the natural force, represented by the work, is present and current, even into own monster's bowels. Among both forces it gets rid an incessant battle, is the validity of the class struggle, expressed for example, in the struggle of migrants and, also, to the interior of working centers, where is active the working alive, even in unequal conditions in relation to the working dead.

Dismayed, we observe with indignation the technological failure of the nuclear corporations. In Fukushima, Japan, it lives a true disaster produced not only for natural reasons but the greed of the capital for profits of fast, easy, and large. The energy crisis capitalist tends to worsen without even alternatives for transition toward new sources of energy.

The nuclear accident in several Japanese reactors reveals in a sector with a high concentration of capital, that working process is carried out in conditions of brutality. Not only are discovered the fuels of the core of the nuclear reactors by lack of adequate cooling. It also exposed the infamous labor conditions of outsourcing to which are subjected the workers in the interior of the nuclear power plants.

Therefore, for this Congress, the FTE of Mexico has prepared a set of 100 proposals. Firstly, we propose rescue the concept of class struggle. Recent events reinforce our proposals, to understand the social phenomena and to better target our collective action.

Almost all assume that we are classist. It is important that this is expressed in the Statutes of the WFTU, in its principles and struggle program. At the moment, the words "class struggle", are not written. Conjuncture reforms

and regressive, in adverse situations, led circumvent this crucial definition.

Without that will be the solution to the many problems of the class, we believe that the WFTU needs new Statutes, consistent with the current world situation, with the aim to give a better reply to the burning issues of our movement.

For this reason, we propose to integrate an international commission, chaired by the Secretariat of the WFTU, in order to gather the diverse contributions of the members and submit a final draft to the discussion of workers in all countries.

The aim of our proposals is only one: that worker known, read, analyze and, at the time, approve, modify or reject its.

In the current phase of imperialism, under the specific conditions of the capitalist crisis, the workers' response must be characterized not only by the number but by the unity through the organization guided by the knowledge.

Formulation of the program, organizing of the proletariat at all levels, promotion of the development of class consciousness, acquisition of working culture and practice of international solidarity, are the political tasks of our time, by updating the classical revolutionary thought, in the agreed terms with the inaugural speech of the First International Workers' Association.

We congratulate the Greek workers, represented by the PAME, for their commitment and support to the WFTU. In reciprocity we express our unconditional solidarity. The struggle for social transformation is among our principles and we intend to advance in the construction of a revolutionary trade unionism, which articulates the struggle for the immediate and historical objectives of the workers, peoples and nations.

The struggle for the defense of natural resources, especially energy, water and environment is a workers' task, as well as the defense of the collective patrimony in the main sectors of production, its nationalization and/or re-nationalization, and reorganization of the working processes under the working control of production.

Our program should include the young people, women and older adults, at the level of

labor, education, health and other social rights. For the formation and political education of the affiliates we need our own International University of the Workers.

First and foremost, we need to organized fight and coordinated on all continents and regions, including the fight in the space of knowledge, to the interior of the working centers.

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The proposals we present here are to discussion of everybody.

The FTE of Mexico greets all delegates with the slogan we propose for our international organization; the shout of battle with which the Manifest seals its final page:

Proletarians of the world unite!



The FTE of Mexico, Zapatista and internationalist, fighting indefatigable for independence and freedom

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