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Trade Unions International of Workers of the Building, Wood and Building Materials Industries
Unión Internacional de Sindicatos de Trabajadores de la Construcción, Madera y Materiales de Construcción
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To the member- and friendly organisations of the TUI

SOLIDARITY WITH THE TURKISH TRADE UNION CENTRE DISK



Dear Brothers,

On January 15th, 1986 Istanbul Military Tribunal No 2 resumed the anti-union trial that had been suspended on December 24th, 1981. At the first trial 52 people were facing death sentence, later the number of defendants rose to 1477, with 78 of them awaiting the sentence of death.

At the 254th sitting of the military tribunal that began on the 15th of January death sentences were commuted into long prison terms for the leaders of the DISK Federation and of its affiliates, and the leaders of some democratic organisations.

Public Prosecutor has asked for prison terms ranging from 10 years and 8 months to 20 years for 232 of the accused. Among the defendants is the DISK President Abdullah Bastürk along with 61 leading officials of the trade union centre. 549 defendants are facing prison terms from 6 years and 8 months to 16 years.

Referring to clause No 141 of the Mussolini-type legislation, the council for prosecution demanded that the DISK and its affiliates be disbanded. Listed among the accused are member-unions of our Trade Unions International and their activists. (The list is attached).

The TUI Secretariat calls upon all the trade unions in the construction and woodworking industries to start a new broad and effective campaign in support of the DISK, its leadership and affiliates, and the activists including

those forced into exile. We demand that:

- all the defendants be set free;
- the DISK and its member-unions' rights be restored, and their property returned;
- the exiled union officials be allowed to come home;
- trade union and democratic rights in Turkey be restored.

On February 25th the DISK defence lawyers started the statement of facts for the defendants. So let us unfold a broad international campaign and voice our protest to Turkish consulates and directly to the tribunal at the following address:

Istanbul
2 Numarali Askeri Mahmemesi
Istanbul
TURKEY

- To President of the Republic of Turkey:

Mr. Kenan Evren
Cumhurbaskani
Cankaya/Ankara
TURKEY

- To Prime Minister:

Mr. Turgut Ozal
Basbakan
T.B.M.M.
Ankara
TURKEY

Solidarity messages could be sent to:

Mr. Abdullah Bastürk
c/o E.Tahirogli
Receppasa So., Selcuk apt. 14/7
Talimhane - Taksim, Istanbul
TURKEY

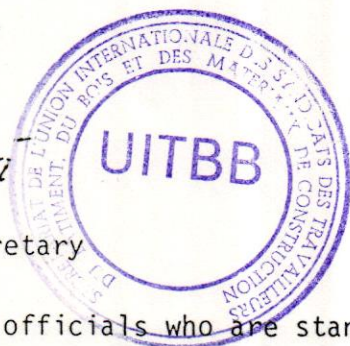
Solidarity could also take the form of sending observers to the trial, or of giving material assistance by transmitting money to the WFTU Solidarity Fund marking the transmission "Solidarity with Turkey".

Please keep us informed about your other actions.

With fraternal greetings,

Mauri Perä
Mauri Perä,
General Secretary

Attachment: List of the TUI affiliates and their officials who are standing trial in Turkey:



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standing traial in Turkey

A. Those facing prison terms of 10 years and 8 months to 20 years under
clause 141, § 1 and § 6 of the Turkish Criminal Code:

A.1. DEVRİMCİ YAPI-İŞ:

Zeki Alkan, Hasan Yıldırım, Os-
man Yalın, İbrahim Çetkin

A.2. HÜRCAM-İŞ:

Ferudun Ertür, Halil Koç, Burhan Çiftçi, Şaban Öz-
türk, Mustafa Dilmien, Süleyman Çink

A.3. BAYSEN:

Erdogan Yilmaz, Gürel Ergen, Mehmet Yüksel Kes-
kin, Mustafa Tani, Mehmet Falk Kayayel, Macit Gümü-
moğlu, İbrahim Şimşir, Mehmet Nakipoğlu

A.4. KERAMİK-İŞ:

Fazlı Baş, Sadık Doğrular, Salim Uslu, Nazmi Ergin,
Mehmet Yemecı, İbrahim Ayvaz, Ahmet Mahir Nalbano-
ğlu



B. Those facing prison terms of 6 years and 8 months to 16 years under
clause 141, § 5 and § 6 of the Turkish Criminal Code:

B.1. D. YAPI-İŞ

Şekip İllez, Bayram Bahçeli, Ali
Çiçek, Süreyya Kızılkıçılı, Kemal
Kayhan, Yakup Demir, Uğur Özcan
Sipahi, Necati Aksu, Nuri Öztürk,
Hüseyin Çındık.

B.2. HÜRCAM-İŞ:

Kemal Özçelik, Sebahattin Dinler, Zeki Yıldırım,
Cevdet İyigün, Salim Kuyru, Adem Ürer, Aydın Yılmaz,
Ali Ekber Kınık, Celal Toprak, Rifat Akın, Selahattin
Maden, Ali Barutçu, İbrahim Tuğrul, Hüseyin Ayni Ke-
leş, Ali Sarıhasan.

B.3. BAYSEN:

Fahri Günel, Naki Tolunay, Ahmet Bilal, Niyazi Kırk-
devli, İsmet Gül, Hüseyin Kaşıkçıoğlu, Ziya Öner, Mus-
tafa Kahrmanın, Necip Demirkıran, Mehmet Bilgin, Ay-
gün Aksu, Vehbi Akın, Aziz Doruk, Hasan Kemal Şen,
İsmet Cımbız, Orhan Baran, Mahmut Öndeş, Mehmet
Ali Polat, Remzi Yusufoglu, Ahmet Kulac, Mustafa
Tuğranoğlu, Mustafa Noyan, Mehmet Kemal Şahin.

B.4. KERAMİK-İŞ:

Yaşar Er, Ahmet Zafer, Mehmet Ütebay, Remzi Er-
soylu, Adnan Hüseyin Kutsal, Mustafa Orhan.