

**Agenda item 5(b)****Emergency Resolutions****Solidarity Statement on Iran**

Congress condemns the brutal and murderous repression against the people of Iran by the country's misogynistic regime, following the killing of Jina Mahsa Amini by its agents. Iranian women, supported by men, have bravely protested across the country for their rights, and unions have held strikes, in the face of brutal repression. Hundreds of people have been killed, several protesters have been sentenced to death, and 15,000 have been arrested.

The latest wave of repression comes on top of systematic violation of the fundamental rights of the Iranian people, including their rights to freedom of association, as well as of freedom of speech. Iran is consistently ranked as among the worst countries in the world for workers' rights in the ITUC Global Rights Index. Several trade unionists are serving lengthy prison sentences simply for standing up for fundamental rights and advancing the interests of working people.

The regime has continually engaged in human rights violations against women, religious and ethnic minorities, political activists and the LGBTIQ+ community.

Congress:

Demands the release of imprisoned trade unionists, and of all those detained and imprisoned in blatant violation of international law;

Denounces the Iranian government's suppression of women's and girls' fundamental human rights and the attacks on their lives;

Calls on the Iranian authorities to end their violence against women and girls and calls on them to respect the rights of women, girls and all Iranians to freedom of association, freedom of expression, bodily autonomy, and security of the person;

Continues to stand in absolute solidarity with Iranian workers and their unions in their struggle for workers' rights;

Pledges unwavering support for the fight for fundamental rights for all;

Insists that Iran ratify and fully implement ILO Conventions 87 and 98 and fully respect the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in particular its Article 23; and,

Acknowledges and welcomes the widespread and strong international support from trade unions, other organisations and the public for the people of Iran.
