

It's Time For A General Strike & Labor Party

2023 May Day UFCLP Statement

On May Day 2023

It is time to unite to break the chains against imperialist wars, privatization, racism/xenophobia/fascism & for housing, healthcare & for defense of the planet.

The working class in the US and every country is under threat with growing attacks on our unions, pensions, healthcare, education, and housing.

Business corporate unionism cannot defend workers. The US trade union bureaucracy refuses to mobilize a united front of all workers to fight for unionization and against union busting at Amazon, Starbucks and all the capitalist bosses. They are helped by the pro-capitalist Democratic party which our unions in the US support. These Democrats including left Democrats like Bernie Sanders voted for a Congressional bill that even voted to eliminate days off for railroad workers. The bureaucrats compiled because they opposed a mass general strike of all workers, thus telling the working class that they can solve their problems by voting for more Democrats.

On May Day, we support a united front against the anti-labor Railway Labor Act, the Taylor law in New York and all anti-strike legislation as well as right to work laws. We also support nationalization of the rails under worker control. We oppose privatization of education and charters which the AFT & CTA leadership have supported.

The rise of fascism, xenophobia, racism, homophobia, and antisemitism is a direct threat to workers throughout the world on this May Day. The need for a united front against fascism and against any coup or insurrection must be organized by unions and the labor movement.

We also call for an end of the US government National Endowment for Democracy NED funding of \$75 million to the AFL-CIO Solidarity Center for its international operations. On the 50th anniversary of the Chilean coup we demand that the books be opened, and the labor officials involved in these AFL-CIO CIA operations be expelled from the labor movement.

The fight of UPS Teamsters must be joined by Amazon and Fed-Ex workers for joint strike action and full unionization. The US auto workers need to have a mass strike and bring out all unorganized auto and parts workers

throughout the South. Uniting the struggles is how millions were organized in the 1930's.

We need a national political education campaign against privatization and outsourcing of jobs and the use of "non-profits" to destroy public services. This is supported by the leadership of public service unions, and they also have supported the privatization of Medicare instead of fighting for national healthcare run by workers and not the insurance companies and hospital association.

On May Day, we support the public control of the railroad, energy companies, big pharma, and the banks. As long as our economy is under control of these billionaires, we can never solve our job problem, housing and the global environmental crisis. We need a public health system based on workers and communities and an end to the corporate control of the CDC, OSHA, NLRB, EPA and all government agencies.

The capitalists and their system are hurtling us toward world war. Workers have no enemies other than their own capitalist class who are profiting from war and the military industrial complex. In the US, Biden and both the Democrats and Republicans have an unlimited budget for the war in Ukraine and for the war against China with the AUKUS military alliance. Part of this military alliance is building a US nuclear base in the Australian port of Kembla. On May Day we call for the shutdown of all US bases and cancellation of all the imperialist military alliances around the world.

Workers need a united front to defend against the attacks they face, and a united front against wars around the world from Ukraine to Yemen and Palestine. We oppose all boycotts of Cuba, North Korea, Venezuela, and all countries. Workers need to fight for power in every country against a corrupt ruling class that is intent on increasing exploitation, mass repression and pitting worker against worker to solve their need for profits and the financial crisis of capitalism.

On May Day, 2023, we need to build an international working class movement and mass democratic worker parties that link up all our struggles together into one in this global class war, and struggle for workers' power.

Victory To The World Working Class.

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