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Long Live May Day, World Workers Day!

This year, the workers of the world celebrate their international day in a situation where the imperialist war in Ukraine has spread its demonic shadow over all countries. Due to this war, the prices of essential goods have risen for the workers and the oppressed masses, and in some countries, apart from the high prices, the basic items needed by the people have become scarce. The United States of America and the European Union policies of sanctions against Russian imperialism during this unjust war have created a situation whereby, in almost all countries, rising fuel prices have hit workers' lives as wide a dimension as possible. This war, which was waged due to the conflict of interests of the two imperialist blocs, in addition to all the catastrophic killings and tragedies it has caused in Ukraine, and it has added to the devastating economic impact on the lives of the workers and the lower classes in European countries. This war has become an excuse for the imperialists, to limit the protests and struggles of the workers against the capitalist system as much as possible. However, what stands out today is the growth of workers' struggles all over the world and the emergence of elevated awareness in these struggles. We are witnessing that the leaders of the working class, in connection with the war in Ukraine, are aware that this war is against their interests. The manifestation of this awareness can be witnessed in the efforts of the workers to prevent the sending of military equipment to Ukraine, specifically in Italy and Greece, and the declaration of solidarity of the leftist protesters in various places with the workers of Russia and Ukraine. In Italy, workers at the Pisa Galileo Airport refused to load a plane carrying weapons called "humanitarian aid" and a union representative announced the workers had prevented the plane from loading, due to the presence of weapons in the cargo. In Greece, workers of the

Greek Railways in Thessaloniki refused to transfer American and NATO tanks to Alexandropoulos, a port in the north of the country. Following the protest, Greek trade unions intervened and demanded that the country's railway depots not to be used "to transfer U.S. and NATO arsenals to neighboring countries." These facts, on the one hand, show the conflicts of this anti-people war to the interests of the workers, and on the other hand, the awareness of the vanguard workers towards it. Apart from the ominous shadow of this reactionary war, the workers are celebrating the May Day in a situation where a large part of this world class, especially in dominated countries such as Iran, under the domination of the flagrant dictatorships, are even deprived of the freedom to freely celebrate their International Day. In Iran, the imperialist dependent regime of Islamic Republic, which has suppressed any independent labour movement by resorting to the tactics of expulsion, flogging, and imprisonment, has deprived the workers of the possibility of organizing and further prevents them to freely celebration of May Day. Due to the domination of dictatorship in Iran, which is the result of the dependent capitalist system in our society, despite the daily expansion of labour struggles, the dispersion of the ranks of workers is one of the most prominent features of labor struggles in our society. This fact and the blatant and shameless defense of the anti-labour government of the Islamic Republic of the tyrannical capitalists have allowed this parasitic class to brutally exploit the workers so much so they even refuse to pay the meager wages of workers on time, and for this reason, today in most production and service units, Iranian workers face a problem called "arrears". Thus, when workers' wages are unpaid for many months, most of the militant workers' energies are used up in these types of protests and the struggles against the capitalists and the inhumane conditions that have created for the workers are instead spent on arrears. The fragmentation of the working class, the lack of even any trade unions, and the absence of a communist organization defending the interests of the working class, naturally upset the balance of power, even at a time when the country is in a state of great economic crisis and the capitalist economy is experiencing recession and inflation, to the detriment of the workers and to the benefit of the capitalists. Under such circumstances, parasitic capitalists, who make a living from the suffering of workers, have found the opportunity not only to limit workers' demands within a certain framework and to easily fire protesting workers but also even recently in some centers refuse to pay the minimum wage announced by the "Supreme Labor Council." The natural result of the anti-labour policies of the Islamic Republic is to protect the interests of the domestic and foreign capitalists, to expand poverty and misery among the workers, and to doom most of them to live below the poverty line. In such a situation, our hardworking workers have to find a way to feed themselves and their families by resorting to take painful overtime or finding second and third jobs. The above facts remind us once again that as long as the capitalist system persists to exist and as long as the Islamic Republic, as the guard dog of this system protects it with the means of torture and execution, there is not any possible way to get rid of the current catastrophic situation. The natural course of this hard life has also shown the workers that they must channel the main direction of their struggles to overthrow the anti-labour regime of the Islamic Republic and the oppressive capitalist order. Of course, achieving this goal is unattainable under the rule of an unbreakable dictatorship in Iran without militant organization of the working class and for this reason, the advanced workers must join hands with the revolutionary intellectuals of the working class to take first steps in this which is the formation of politico-military groups, in order to form a mass militant struggle and prepare the conditions for the workers to organize and lead the mass struggles to overthrow the Islamic Republic and the ruling exploitative system. Only in such a process will our workers under oppression be able to earn a decent life. Happy May Day, World Workers' Day! Down with the Imperialist Dependent Regime of the Islamic Republic! Down with the Imperialist Wars! Long Live Struggles of Workers and Oppressed People around the World! The Iranian People's Fadaee Guerrillas April 18, 2022.