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GEN. SEC. STATEMENT
ON INTERNALIONAL SOLIDARITY DA! WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.
29/NOV._/ 1992
ICAIU Gen. Sec. issued on the occasion of the International Solidarity Day
with the Palestinian people the following statement:
iEvery year, the world peoples salute the International Solidarity Day with
the Palestinian people on 29/Nov./ They express their solidarity with the Just
struggle and with the legitimate rights of the Pelietinien people, including th-
_eir right to eelf-deterhihation, and their independent homeland under the leader-
ship of PLO. t'_ '. t ' \_
IGAEU Gen,, 8ec., on the occasion or this glorious anniversary, reaffirms
that the peleetinien'ceuee is the central cause for the Arab Workers. It expre-
eeee , also, its firm national stand in supporting the legitimate peleetinien
struggle to return their legal rights in eelf-determinetion and to settle their
independent homeland, its capital Jerusalem, under the leadership of their sole
legitimate representative PLO. Too, Gen. Sec. exproeeee ite unlimited eupport
to the peleetinian breve uprising to their heroism sacrifices, and to their con-
tinual struggle for returning their freedom and independent.
Today, the celebration on this event gains a epeciel meaning, for the 210-
niet being expreeeee, every day, abbut'ite determination to violate the peleeti-
nien legal rights, decided by international organizatione. It. eleo, pereiete its
occupation, ite eettlement, ite support to the continual Jewish immigration, 1t:
obJection to confess the right of peleetinien eelf-deternination, and its un-
humen repression racist practices, aiming at restrain the paleetinian bravery
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PRESS COMMUNIQUE .

0F ICATU GENERAL SECRETARIAT ABOUT THE MEETING WITH THE ICFTU DELEGATE DAMASCUS 8-9/11/1992

According to the invitation of ICAIU Gen. See. the ICFTU delegation, headed hy 1 its Sec. Gen. .Mr.Anzo Frezo, visited the ICAEU headquarter on 8-9/II/I992. Duringhis Visit the ICFTU delegation met with the ICAEU delegation headed by Brother Hasan Ja- 'nam Sec. Gen.

The two parties discussed the following agenda:

- " Trade union aspect....Nationally and -Internetionally.
- International Economic Aspect and its consequences on the workers.
- Displaying some vital political causes and their consequences on workers and peoples.  $^{\prime}$
- Discuss the mutual cooperation means.

Both parties agreed on the importance of consolidation the mutual cooperation C fin these aspects , to deepen and go on the-dailoyue and consultation on the benefit it or workers' interests in the Arab region and in the world.

They agreed, also, on the Joint actions, supporting the trade union rights and freedoms, especially in the countries which do not allow to establish trade union organizations in the Arab Gulf, and to. .auPPort the immigrant workers in this region and in the European countries.

The two parties expressed about their woriness towards the political aspects and events in the Arab region and in the world.On the international level, they evaluated the economical aspects and their negative reflections on the workere, on their trade union organizations, and on the peoples of implOving countries. They, also, discussed the means of finding solutions to these aspects and to coordinate a mutual actions in the international circles.

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11.0 ARAB ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT

Brother Hasan'Jamam, ICAIU SEc. Gen., Brother Kathem al-Ameri, Gen.See.member, .and Brother Farouq SouraJ, Heed of Int.Rel.department, met with .Mr.John Sfenixten. Head of ILO Arab Activities department, in ICATU headquarted on 28/II/I992. Both parties discussed the mutual cooperation between the ILO and ICATU in all fields ,containing the implementation of ILO programuee. They also talked about the importance of strengthening the joint aeitivities in Arab region at the favour of workers, in addition to the subjects relating to the international labour standards, and to the rights of freedoms and trade union.

Too, during his visit, Mr. John met with the participants in the Arab Sympoeuim of Women Cadere, he addressed a lecture about the ILO role in shaping an international labour standards, and about the fruitful cooperation between ILO and ICATU. ICATU GU. SEC. RECIEVED

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ICLTU Gen. Sec. received the envoy of Workers' House in Iran. They discussed the international and regional trade union affairs, and the mutual relations, and the means to develop them at the favour of the Arab and Irani workers situations. The envoy, also, has submitted an invitation to ICATU Gen. Sec. to visit Iran. WCL Sec. Gen. Mr. Carlos Coster, se; f a telegram to ICATU Gen. See. on 3/II/ I992. It contains: '\_ . . \_n

WCL expresse d its deeply anger tot: as the terrorist actions implementing by Israeli authorities which already opened 11r6 against Some of workers in Gaza sector. We hope to submit, in due or thig truiet event, our sympe thy'end solidarity with the palestinian'brothers in thei: ch- .l stl. le for liberation and dignity. The freedom price is verb expensive hlt t e victory is ior them at last, and their cause

will never defeat.

OUSA Sec. Gen. Mr. Hasan Sanmomo sent a telegram to the Israeli prime minister, declaring the OUSA protest and condemnation

, in the name of African workers, on the

unhuman racist practices of the Israeli mslitary authorities against the prisoners and the peoples in pulestine . and in the trabic occupied territories. It, also , protested on the expansionist policy, and on the viola tion of the human rights, contradicting with the UN charter, and with the inteInutional agreements. The tele'ram, also ,expressed about the support of the palestiniun legitimateand firm rights of the palestinian people.

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. Hr.Antonio Lethri ,Head of CGIL internctional r01 .tions department sent a mes sag e to ICATU Gen. Soc.,it stipulated that CGIL e :gressed its solidarity with the Iraqi and Palestinian peoples.It launched an expanssiri campai,;n for the victims of the Gulf war and the occupied paleatztnian territories, sub 1t ed by UHISEF ,UNRWA, and Red Cross.

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ICATU Gen. Sec. sent a memorandux." o ALC Cghceznin: on the trade union freedoms and rights in the Arabic countries, and (1 the endorsment of the implementation of the Arabic governments on the interJatiorzl and Arabic agreements. This action carried

out by ICATU Gen. See. for iue hxgseut preparatory efforts to hold Arabic Work Conference in Jordan in the next yer , which'the tripartiten will participate in it, The subject of the trade union rights and freedoms will be an official part on the conference agenda.

DEPUTY OF ICATU SEC. GEN. DISCUSSED WITH THE ARABIC TRADE

Brother Sabri Bader, Deputy\_of ICATU eec.Gen. met in Tunisian capital on 31/ IO-I/II/I992, with Mr. Abdul Rahman Bohrewi, Sec. Gen. of the Arab Perlimentury Federation, Mr. Farouq Abou Esa, Sec. Gen. of Arab Lawyers Federation, and Mr. Faraj Fnish, the exeCutive director general of the Arab College of Human Rights in Tunis. In these meetings they discussed the bilateral relations, the ways to develop them in all trade union and national fields; f and about the interaction of the joint activity in favour of the human right: gpq thude union and freedoms rights in the Arabic countries. They diecussed, alsK, the zext meeting of the fundemental committee of the Arabic Centre of freedoms and trade union rights which will hold in ICATU headquarter, in Damascus at the begin 'ng of I993.

T00, Brother Sabri Buder, deputy e? ICATU Sec.Gen. met with both leuderships of General Federation of Tunisian Wor;3 2 and the General Federation of :alestinian Workers. They displayed the trade unich: tuation on international and Arabic levels; -the subjects concerning the arabig workr::3 end the present readinesses to hold the next meeting of the permanen- a:aaetasiut of the international trade union committee about the selidarity with thr pa3.stinian,people and workers which will hold in Tunis on 8-II/I/I993. k

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Brother sebri Bader, Deputy or ICATU Sec. Gen. representative bf Gen. Sec. participated in the meeting of Arab Urgovernmentul Organizations to prepare to the International Congress of the Human R ghts,orgunizin5 by UN administration which will be held in Vien during the next June 1993.

This Committee held its meeting on I3/IO-I/II/I992 in Tunis, participating by:

- Arab Lawyers Federation.
- Arab Human Rights College.
- Arab Human Rights Movement.
- Tunisian Human Rights League.
- Arab Parlimentary Federation.
- Arab Doctors Federation. I
- Arab Writers & Journalists Federation 4

In addition to various Arabic ung.,ernmental movements, and to the personalities concerning on human rights.

Brother Sabri 3ader,ulso,particigttq in the African symposium for preparation to the International Human ARights-Con-6": "ce in Tunis on 2-6/II/I992.

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THRID MEETING OF INFORMATION & GUIDANCE COJLITTEE

Brother Sabri Beder, deputy ICATU Sec. Gen. headed the third meeting of Information & Guidanee Committee of Arab Trade Unions, held in Cairo on B-II/II/1992. Information secretaries of Arab Trade Unions, ICATU members, participated in the activities of this meeting.

The attendants discussed the subjecte relating to the activity of information and the ways to improve the Arab Trade Union Information in order to be at the favour of Arab workers end their.trade uniongmovements.

SECOND MEETING OF EDUCATIONAL LORKERS AFFAIRS

\_ Brother Adeb Hero, Secretary of ICATU Ecucqtional Workers Affairs, headed the second meeting of the ICATU Educational Workers Affairs Committee, held in Tunis on 26-28/I0/I992. It was participated by representatives of Arab trade union confederations, ICATU members, Educational Wbrkers' Secret dries, and the directors of Educational Workers College. '

The attendants discussed the subjects concerning the educational activity ,end the ways to develop the workers' education.

ICATU ORGANIZED WORKERS' SYBPOSIU: UH RUAKLRS' EDUCATION

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ICATU organized workers' symposium on Workers education and democratic case. The regional movements, ICATU members; participated 1n this activity, in Tunis during 29- 31/IO/I992.

The symposium consisted of different lectures about the role of trade unions in achieving the ballnce between democracy, eocial justice and the development. It 'also discussed the political, economical and social freedoms, the role of workers 'education in democratic instruction, the democracy of labour relations and the worb kere' participation in directing the production and the national economy. All brothers participated vitality in discussion the above subjects and fine-

lly they agreed upon a number of recommendations about them.

ICATU ORGANIZED ARAB SYMPOSIUM ON THE L'ARTICIPA'TGII C-F '1R. -".DE UNION & WORKERS IN MANAGEMENT OF IRODUCTION

AIGER 3-8/II/I992

The Arab trade union symposium, held in the Arab College of Jorkere' education and labours'e researches in Alger on 3-8/II/I992. It was about the participation of trade uions and the workers in the management of the production and the national economy in cooperation between our ICATU.and the College administration. Representatives of Labour Trade Union Movements and various Arab workers and Professional Federations were participated in this axmpqaium. Too, some of college circles partidipated in the activities of this symposium.

Nhhber'of lectures recited about the concerned subjects.

An Arabic Session for Women Trade Union Cedars opened in Damascus, 1n the ecoperation between ICATU , ILO, and the General Federation of The Syrian Trade Union, .on 25/II-2/I2/I992.

Representatives of Arab Workers Federations, IOATU members, participated in thiam session .

At the beginning 1 eomr speeches addressed for Brother Hasan Jamam, ICATU Sea Gen.. Hrs.Nazeha Fehham, ILO representative, and Brother Wadeh Taha, Educational & Information Secretary of the General Federation 6f the Syrian Trade Union.

2 In this session, some subjects were discussed by specialists about the situap tion of women work, the standards of international labour, the development of the situation of. the women labour, and the role of the trade unions through ILO by promoting ILO agreements and recommendatione concerning women labour:

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?a ' ARAB FARMERS FEDERATION -1-

Brother Hasan Jamam, ICATU Sec. Gen. and Brother Rajah Mn'atouq, Gen. Sec. member, received on 3/II/I992, Gen. Sec. delegation of Arab Farmers Federation, consisting of Brothers Hanan al-Sawl, and Yesin Hijazi, Gen. See. members. The tow parties discussed the trade unions affairs and the bilateral relations, and the ways to improve them.

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ICAIU GEN. SEC. AFFIRMED ITS SULIDARIT? WITH THE

TROUBLES OF IRAQI PEUPLE

Brother Hasan Jamam,ICATU Sec. Gen. and Brother Rajah Ma'atouq, Gen. Sec. -member, visited Iraq on 20-22/II/I992. They met with the Iraqi trade union leadee rshipa. They discussed the cases relating to the trade union affairs and to the situation of Arab Workera...

In a press communique, the ICATU Gen. Sec. delegation expressed about its trust on the Iraqi efforts to overcome the traces of the war, and promotion the national economy. The Gen. Sec. delegation stressed on its position to lift the embargo on the economy in Iraq for the lack of food and medicine. It also affirmed on the unity of Iraqi lands and people.

VIEWS ON ICATU 'THE GENERAL COUNCIL:

It 13 the second organizational rank, after the General Congress. According to the constitution, the General Council has the legal conpetencies of the General Congress over periods lapsing between two ordinary and extraordinary sessions. The General Congress elects the members of the council. It is composed of two representatives of each affiliate member organization. The confederation General Secretary 13 a\_member and a reporter of the General Council. It elects the deputy of Secretax: Generel and the members of the G-neral Secretariat. In its first session the 1;\_\_ counc 11 elects its president and 1t: deputy of president utter the end of the General Congress works. It meets regularly tWIce a year and possibly any time at-the request of two thirde of its members or at the request of office of the General Secretariat. It holds its meetings in the eountriea of the member organizations or in the headquarter of the confederation General Secretariat. The duration of council membership is faur years. '

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