

In solidarity against corona

- * In response to the pandemic, basic rights are being overturned in a hurry. In many countries the state-ordered lockdown and emergency legislation target and suppress industrial action, strikes and other forms of workers' resistance.
- * While we have to cut social contact, many corporations are continuously hosting Corona partys: carrying on with unnecessary work under health-endangering conditions.
- * Governments are responding to the pandemic with border closures, export bans on medical goods, and anti-immigration measures. And although they pay lip service to protecting the rights of workers, they had already commodified the healthcare system – the real safeguard and protection – to the point where it threatens to break.
- * We are heading towards a social crisis that is difficult to imagine, but that will certainly result in massive attacks on our living and working conditions. It will not be enough to demand that the state or the corporations suspend production, compensate for lost wages, and protect peoples' health.
- * If the world economy suffers a heart attack, it will be up to us to revive the crucial parts of production and of the healthcare system.

Suspending production – not business as usual

1. Fearing profit loss and a global economic crisis, corporations and states continue to further put workers' health at risk.
2. In many countries, workers fight for better health protections for urgent and necessary work, as well as the suspension of all unnecessary work with continued payment of wages.

Shared responsibility – not 'lockdown'

1. Instead of repressive state actions and police patrols in our parks, we need public education and a shared, responsible approach to social wellbeing.
2. If labor disputes, rent fights, basic worker and citizen rights, or data protection regulations are undermined by new regulations put in place to combat the pandemic, we have to fight back.

Solidarity – not nationalism

1. Authoritarian government actions are based on collective fear. Acts of solidarity help us to mobilise against the oppressive feeling of fear.
2. In order to resist the nationalist turmoil unfolding, for example, at the EU's external borders, it is important to connect the global struggle for a humane approach to the pandemic, and the fight to organize society according to our needs.

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