

## **Solidarity message to the Greek workers on General Strike 4th of February 2016**

Dear Comrades,

On the day that another General Strike in Greece takes place, CGTP-IN reiterates the active solidarity of Portuguese workers to the Greek workers and expresses its strong support to their struggle and resistance.

CGTP-IN welcomes Greek workers' determination to carry on their struggle, although the ongoing deterioration of their living and working conditions. A selfless struggle with a great value taking into account the ongoing policies that led to the deregulation of labour relations, generalized precariousness, sharpening unemployment, rising poverty and growing inequalities, privatization of strategic companies and resources. A political framework that goes against workers rights to favour a even higher concentration of wealth in the hands of big capital.

CGTP-IN values the General Strike as a fair and important struggle by the Greek workers with an internationalist nature: against the imposition of memorandums by the EU, IMF and successive governments' and their aim at taking as far as possible the exploitation and impoverishment policies in order to make it an international rule.

This is a dramatic situation that tends to get worse with the Greek government, EU and IMF's intentions to carry on the destruction of workers' rights in Social Security. The Greek workers resistance is of key importance to stop the destruction of this historical achievement of the workers' struggle that guarantees minimum standards of dignity for the life of the Greek people.

This is a hard and a demanding time for workers, which demands organization and solidarity in order to contradict the generalized offensive against labour and social rights, imposing on them an historical and civilizational setback.

At last, CGTP-IN wishes you a great success in today's General Strike.

Lisbon, 4 February 2016

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