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With preoccupation we have been following the measures taken by the government of President Javier Milei in Argentina. Measures that harm workers and vulnerable citizens and the organizations that represent them.

Among others these measures, that negatively affect workers, imposes strong limits to exercise the right to strike and holding of union meetings; extends the probationary period from 3 to 8 months; allows the hours of work to be deregulated; facilitates outsourcing; reduces compensation for dismissal; weakens the labour law by reducing its applicability; eliminates fines for unregistered employment and for non-payment of compensation.

Specially worries us that those measures include modifications to the Penal Code that brings criminalization of social. protest at levels not seen since the last military dictatorship.

We keep on hearing of the resistance to those measures by unions, social organizations and neighbourhood assemblies since they were announced and we congratulate you for that.

We support your call for a general strike and mobilization to Congress on January 24, 2024, opposing the legislative agenda of President Milei.

Only the struggle of the people will halt the attack on social and labour rights. La lucha continua.

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