

MESSAGES OF SUPPORT FROM SISTER UNIONS

	Union Name	Country
1.	All-Workers Militant Front (PAME)	Greece
2.	DRC Worker's And Peasants' Consciousness (CTP)	Democratic Republic of Congo
3.	TUI of the Pensioners and Retirees of the WFTU.	
4.	The Trade Union of Labor migrant workers	Russia
5.	Pancyprian Trade Union of Government/Military and Social Institutes Servants (PASYEK PEO)	Cyprus
6.	Botswana Land Board & Local Authorities & Health Workers Union (BLLAHWU)	Botswana
7.	National Union of Hotels and Personal Services Workers	Nigeria
8.	Botswana Public Employees Union	Botswana
9.	The Public Service Union (UNISON)	United Kingdom

From: All-Workers Militant Front (PAME)

Solidarity with NEHAWU Water and Sanitation Strike on March 8

PAME expresses its solidarity and support to the National Education, Health and Allied Workers' Union [NEHAWU] of South Africa, who are going on Strike in the Sector of Water and Sanitation on 8th of March. The NEHAWU, among others, demands signing of new conditions of employment for construction workers of the sector, payment of money owed since 2017, stop outsourcing, health and safety measures in the workplaces and more. PAME stands by the side of NEHAWU in its struggle for the rights of the workers in the sector and wishes best of success to their strike and militant actions. We demand the satisfaction of their just demands

Greece, Athens February 22, 2018

**From: TRADE UNION DRC WORKER'S AND PEASANTS' CONSCIENCENESS
« CTP »**

CTP/DRC solidarity message to NEHAWU

Comrades ,

Receive this message of solidarity from the CTP trade union member of WFTU.

We suport your demand for :

- Government should sign new condicions of employment for construction
- Pay workers their full merit and promotions bonuses retrospectively from 2017 on 1st of december every year
- Link project-based workers contracts to the life span of the projects
- Conducive working environment and conditions for NEHAWU members
- Stop outsourcing public infrastructure construction projects to the private sector
- Implement arbitration award on cleaners, drivers and groundsmen
- Stop the unilateral imposition of a single Catchment Management Agency without consultation with labor
- End the irregular and corrupt appointments of employees into government.

We support all expression of international solidarity for the South African government to concede to these legitimate worker's demands.

LONG LIVE NEHAWU !

LONG LIVE THE WFTU

LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA !

FOR THE CTP

KAPENGA KANDOLO Vincent

DEPUTY GENERAL SECRETARY

PC/WFTU

From: TUI of the Pensioners and Retirees of the WFTU.

Comrades.

Receive this message of solidarity from the TUI of the Pensioners and Retirees of the WFTU.

We support your demand for:

- Government should sign new conditions of employment for construction employees.

- Pay workers their full merit and promotions bonuses retrospectively from 2017 on 1st of December every year.
- Link project-based workers contracts to the life span of the projects
- Conducive working environment and conditions for our members
- Stop outsourcing public infrastructure construction projects to the private sector.
- Implement arbitration award on cleaners, drivers and groundsmen
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We support all expression of international solidarity for the South African government to concede to these legitimate worker's demands.

Barcelona, March 6, 2.018.

Quim Boix General Secretary of TUI of Pensioners and Retirees (P&R) of WFTU

Responsible for the WFTU to the Spanish State (except Basque country)

From: The Trade Union of Labor migrant workers in Russia

Moscow,

Russian Federation

Dear comrades!

The Trade Union of Labor migrant workers in Russia - the WFTU member - expresses the solidarity with the brothers and sisters from NEHAW and COSATU.

The workers by their labor improve the living conditions of all population. They have the right to get the respect and a just attitude to what they do and to themselves.

We strongly support the fair demands of NEHAW and COSATU.

In solidarity,

Trade Union Central Committee Chairman

Renat Karimov

From:

Dear comrades.

On behalf of PASYEK PEO we express our class solidarity to your strike on the 8th March and we fully support your demands .

At the same time we convey our warm greetings to all women members of NEHAWU on the occasion of the International Women's Day.

We once again express our solidarity.

Comradely.

Michalis Archontides

General Secretary

From: National Union of Hotels and Personal Services Workers

International Solidarity – NEHAWU National Strike at the Department of Water and Sanitation

We lend our support to the National Education Health and Allied Workers Union (NEHAWU) affiliated to WFTU and COSATU in South Africa as it prepares to commence a national strike on the 8th of March 2018 in the fight for improved conditions of workers in general and specifically in the Department of Water and Sanitations.

NEHAWU is in demand of the following:

- ❖ Government should sign new conditions of employment for construction employees.
- ❖ Pay workers their full merit and promotions bonuses retrospectively from 2017 on 1st of December every year.
- ❖ Link project based workers contracts to the life span of the projects

- ❖ Conducive working environment and conditions for our members
- ❖ Stop outsourcing public infrastructure construction projects to the private sector.
- ❖ Implement arbitration award on cleaners, drivers and groundsmen
- ❖ Stop the unilateral imposition of a Single Catchment Management Agency without consultation with labour
- ❖ End the irregular and corrupt appointments of employees into government posts

We call on the South African Government to avert this strike in the interest of her people.

Comrade (DR) Leke Success

General Secretary

From: Botswana Public Employees Union (BOPEU)

Solidarity Message to NEHAWU on its National Strike at the Department of Water and Sanitation

Dear Cde

Botswana Public Employees Union (BOPEU) would like to extend its unwavering support to our fellow comrades at NEHAWU. It is our deep-rooted belief that the welfare of every employee is paramount to the life of any society. A country is only prosperous as its working class and thus the rights of the working class should be jealously guarded.

Capitalism, in its decadent phase, has already proved to be incapable of improving the lives of the workers. It is thus incumbent on the working class, in unity, to unite in their strife; to do so relentlessly without fear and bravery. Trade unions are important means of mass organization, bringing together the working class against the struggle against capitalism and neo-liberalism. It is through their strength in numbers that the working class can bring their influence to bear upon the sins of capitalism and neo-liberalism.

Today comrades, we stand in unity with you in your quest for human rights, in this case, workers' rights. We stand tall and undaunted with you as you fight for social justice and respect for the rule of law. Your daily struggles, as are ours, are aimed at attaining one definitive goal: the liberation of the working class from all hardships,

through the destruction of the capitalism and construction of an inclusive and equal society that guarantees the welfare of all. Your national strike schedules (8 March 2018) is but one step towards our liberation as the working class. This day will be marked in the annals of history as the day the cause of the working class saw a brighter day scamper into the horizon.

We stand with you today because we understand that unity is critical to strengthen workers in their struggle and deliver them the salvation they need. Key to your success, or rather our success is to address the consciousness of the masses to the struggle against oppression. The working class continues to live under the pain of the capitalist boot on its neck. The trade union movement should thus fight against institutionalized form of modern slavery. No man can truly be free unless they are economically free. Our freedom as the working class rests on our ability to attain economic freedom. This highlights the importance of your national strike today. It is more than a symbolic action but a show of commitment to the struggle of the working class.

We, as a part of the international community, further reaffirm the fundamental right of the workers as espoused in numerous ILO conventions. Further, we reiterate the need for all to respect the rule of all. We thus denounce any move or overture to suppress the ends of justice. Failure to implement arbitration awards represent an assault on the rule of law. The struggle of the working class can only prosper in the absence of anarchy and in the presence of the rule of law and a working democracy. Any assault on the rule of law is a major blow to democracy and an assault to our struggle.

In conclusion, BOPEU calls upon the international community to join us as we stand hand in hand with our fellow comrade at NEHAWU as they extend our cause. It is only our unity, as the working class, that can deliver us success. Our support to your cause is unwavering.

Yours in Struggle

Topias Marenga

General Secretary

From: The Public Service Union (UNISON)

Dear Comrade,

Strike at the Department of Water and Sanitation

On behalf of UNISON's 1.3 million members working in public services in the UK, including water and sanitation, I am writing to offer our solidarity to NEHAWU members taking strike action at the Department of Water and Sanitation.

UNISON stands shoulder to shoulder with water and sanitation workers in South Africa who are demanding better pay and working conditions and an end to outsourcing and corruption.

In solidarity,

Dave Prentis General Secretary
