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Honorable Enrique Peña Nieto

President of The United States of Mexico

On behalf of Japanese affiliates of IndustriALL Global Union, we (JCM, IndsutriALL·JAF, UA Zensen) join workers and people in Mexico and the world over in calling on the Mexican government to restore justice for persecuted workers and to ensure the freedom of association for workers in Mexico.

The campaign named "Global Days of Action" has been set on 18-24 Feb. 2013. In the campaign, IndustriALL Global Union are calling on the Mexican government to:

- 1. Provide justice for the families of the 65 miners killed at Pasta de Conchos on 19 February 2006:
- 2. End the use of employer-dominated protection contracts, which deny workers the right to democratic representation and collective bargaining;
- Repeal the labour law enacted on 1 December 2012 that encourages dismissal of union activists, increases subcontracting, and leads to the massive expansion of precarious employment; and
- 4. Reinstate unlawfully fired union activists (SME,PKC, Vidriera de Potosi/Grupo Modelo, Honda, Calzado Sandak/Bata) and allow free and fair elections (PKC, Excellon, Honda, Atento).

From the point of view of the realization of social and economic justice, we would like to ask you to reinstate the current situation in Mexico as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely.

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