

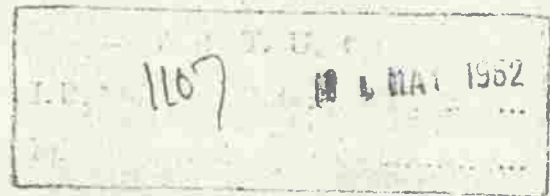
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To all dockers' and
fishery workers' unions

Dear Brothers,

The transport workers all over the world have heard with deep indignation about the attack of the fascist OAS groups against the dockers of Algeria where an explosion of a car set as a trap in front of the dockers' labour exchange has caused 110 deaths and wounded 200 on May 2, 1962.

On the eve of this event an explosion of grenades wounded 21 dockers standing in front of the Bone Labour Exchange.

These crimes which cause so much sorrow to our trade are taking place in a whole series of wild terrorist actions of the OAS - after the cease-fire 40 persons were killed every day in Algeria during the past six weeks - which wants to wipe out the Evian treaty and to carry on the colonial war at all costs. These crimes raise the indignation and wrath of all honest people all over the world and especially of the dockers in all countries.

In France, the dockers at Rouen, Marseille and Dunkerque have immediately stopped work in solidarity with their Algerian brothers and demand the eradication of the OAS and the exemplary punishment of all fascists.

Following an appeal of the CGT Federation the dockers will strike in all French ports on May 8.

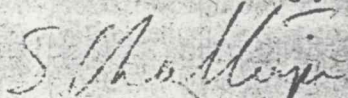
In Italy, work stoppages and meetings in the ports of Venice, Savona, Trieste and Naples expressed the indignation of Italian dockers against the OAS crimes and the dockers' solidarity with their Algerian brothers.

Immediately after having heard about this abominable crime the Trade Unions International of Transport, Port and Fishery Workers sent a solidarity message to the Union Générale des Travailleurs Algériens expressing full support for these solidarity actions and appealing to the transport and dock workers in all countries to strengthen this movement, to demonstrate - without delay and in the most appropriate way according to the situation in their respective countries - their protests against the OAS crimes and to render active solidarity to the workers and heroic people of Algeria in their difficult struggle and to support the struggle of the French working class for the respect of the Evian treaties and against fascism.

As we would like to give greatest publicity to these actions of international working class solidarity we would be very grateful if you could let us know what your organisation has been able to do in this sphere.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours fraternally,


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