

MARCH FOR WORKERS SOLIDARITY ON MAY DAY

**our strength
is our ability to organise
locally and globally
UNITED WE ARE STRONG**

**Thursday 1 May 2014, 5pm, State Library Swanston St, Melbourne
March to 8-hour day monument for May Day wreath laying**

Defend our right to organise

Governments and capitalists everywhere want to restrict workers' ability to organise. If workers cannot organise, we will work harder, for longer hours, for less wages and less job security. Corporations will enjoy the profits. In South Korea we recently saw massive police repression against striking railway workers; in Cambodia, five garment workers were killed while hundreds were jailed for taking part in a protest; and in India, over a hundred Maruti Suzuki workers have been in jail for over a year for trying to get a wage rise. The Victorian government has passed new laws to restrict our right to protest and jail terms for returning to a banned protest or picket.

Free our comrades

Sometimes workers are discouraged from demanding their rights through repression of activists. China, Iran, Pakistan, and Thailand are some of the countries where workers are in jail because of their organising activities. Despite the dangers, labour movement activists organise for the freedom and safety of their comrades every day.

Stop the killings

Human rights violation in the Philippines is intensifying. There have been 8 extrajudicial killings, 5 frustrated killings, 5 illegal arrests, 3 abductions just in the first 2 months of 2014.

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