

ALL-INDIA KISAN SABHA
New-Delhi,
13 C, Ferozshah Road.

May 10 1952,

The Preparatory Committee
First Trade Union Conference of Young Workers

Dear Brothers,

We are glad to hear that the 1st World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers is being held in the third week of July; through the circulars and other literature sent by the Trade Union International of Agricultural and Forestry Workers. We are already making preparations in our country to participate in this conference. The provincial Conference of Agricultural Workers of Andhra Pradesh is going to be held shortly. The Provincial Conference of Rural Workers of Punjab had already been held sometime ago. We wish to organise more Conferences and discuss widely the problems confronting the young agricultural workers and thus prepare for participating in the world conference.

The President and General Secretary of All-India Kisan Sabha, Sri A.K. Gopalan and Sri N. Prasada Rao, respectively a few representatives of the Andhra Provincial Agricultural Labourers Association and Punjab Rural Labour Sabha will be attending the Conference. We will shortly inform the names of these representatives of these two Provincial units.

In this connection I would like to place before you for your consideration the problem of travelling expenses. The other representatives besides the President and General Secretary of the All-India Kisan Sabha cannot attend it, unless travelling fare is met by the Preparatory Committee. Hence I suggest that travelling expenses of one delegate from each of these two Provincial Agricultural Labourers Associations ~~can~~ be met by the Preparatory Committee.

You might have received some communication on this subject from Brother Vidinari, Secretary of the Trade Union International of the Agricultural and Forestry Workers.

Please send the agenda and other material connected with the Conference to me so that I can send it to the lower units.

Yours fraternally,

PRASADA RAO
General Secretary.

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A L L - I N D I A T R A D E U N I O N C O N G R E S S
4 Ashok Road, New Delhi

May 20, 1958

To
All State TUCs

Dear Comrades,

Re. WORLD YOUNG WORKERS CONFERENCE
(Prague - July 14 to 20, 1958)

All State Committees are hereby requested to send in the names of delegates from their respective States to participate in the World Young Workers Conference to be held in Prague in July this year at the earliest so that the delegation from India may be finalised.

The lists of names should reach the AITUC office by June 10, 1958 latest.

The AITUC Centre is not in a position to take upon the responsibility for getting passports for intending delegates, under the circumstances. Therefore, when sending the list of names, please indicate if the delegates can procure passports on their own or if any of them has passport already in hand.

For the information of delegates, we give below the return air passage by tourist class to Prague and back from four centres in India, so that delegates may arrange collections accordingly:

Bombay-Prague-Bombay	-	Rs.3122
Delhi-Prague-Delhi	-	Rs.3122
Calcutta-Prague-Calcutta	-	Rs.3528
Madras-Prague-Madras	-	Rs.3407

Please also state if full or part of the passage money has been collected by the delegates.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

K.G. Sriwastava
(K.G. Sriwastava) 20/5
Secretary

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The G. E. C. Staff Union.

(REGD. NO. 826)
MAGNET HOUSE.
6, CHITTARANJAN AVENUE, (SOUTH),

Ref. No.

Calcutta-13 20th June 1958.

S: A. Dange Esq.
General Secretary, All India Trade Union
Congress.
4, Asoka Road,
New Delhi

Dear Sir,

The Executive Committee of the Union has decided to send Sri Sukumar Datta, Secretary of the Union to represent this Union at the International Workers' Youth Conference to be held at Prague in the third week of July 1958.

We shall be pleased if you kindly include his name in the Rolls of Delegates to be sent to the Prague Conference from India.

Awaiting your early reply in the matter.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary.

C.C. to the Genl. Secretary,
B. I. T. U. C.
4, Asoka Road,
New Delhi

N.B. I have submitted my application for passport to the concerning regional passport officer. He has sought a chit from your office declaring your acceptance in the above prayer. Please direct immediately to B. I. T. U. C. and our union in independent region.

Resd.

We have send all those who have expressed their desire to participate in the young home course. do accord for payments & actual passage money (one Calcutta-Prague-Calcutta) Pl. 'will note in their own B.I.T.U.C. books in the respect.

M
S.T.U.

Good comrades,
 I wonder whether
 the ATTUC can help
 them to attend the
 Y.W. conference at
 Praha. On hearing
 from you, I will
 ask them to apply for
 passport. So please
 Reply by next post.

Com S. Krishnamurthy
 has not yet returned to
 Madras this is for you
 to handle. Infamously



To Com K.G. Srinivasan

 Asst. Secty ATTUC

 4 ASOKA ROAD

 NEW DELHI

Gen. Secty. of the
 Com. Dr. Millward
 Union is being
 advised to apply
 for passport.

We have just
 at present no names
 for the leather TVI.
 These names are to
 be notified in the
 E.C. meeting being held on 2nd July at Delhi.
 In law



Com K.G. Srinivasan

 Asst. Secty

 A.I.T.U.C.

 4 ASOKA ROAD

 NEW DELHI

10.6.58

Tamil Nad Trade Union Congress
6/157, Broadway, Madras-1

Dear Com KGS,

What about Ten
TUI at S. P. S. in
K.N. Chinnayyan
Mysore

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→ With regard to your circular
regarding Young Workers Conference,
the Prov. Committee could not propose any
names. But there are a few unions
who are ready to send young workers to this
Conference. They will be able to raise only
Rs 1500 per head. Thus R. Govindasami
Engineer, worker, Mysore Premier Metal Factory
and S. Unaseelan a Nuthukki member of
SVOC are ready to go. They are very

Tamil Nad Trade Union Congress
6/157, Broadway, Madras-1

Madras 28-6-58

Dear Comrade KGS,

→

your letter dt 26/6/58.

Two comrades have applied
for participants to the World Young Workers Conference
They are Com. M.G. GUNASEELAN, an
employee of the Standard Vacuum employees
Union and Com. R. Govindasamy, a worker
in an engineering firm. Each will be prepared
to meet Rs 1000/- towards the expenses.
The collections are yet to be made.
Com K.N. Chinnayyan,

Recd
3/1/58



WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS
FÉDÉRATION SYNDICALE MONDIALE
FEDERACION SINDICAL MUNDIAL
ВСЕМИРНАЯ ФЕДЕРАЦИЯ
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Prague, 27th June, 1958.

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DAA/RS/No:.....2417.....

Brother S.A. Dange,
General Secretary,
All-India Trade Union
Congress,
4, Ashoka Road,
N E W _ D E L H I
India.

Dear Brother,

We have sent a cable to you intimating that we shall be sending four tickets for the young workers' representatives from India to attend the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers to be held at Prague from July 14 to 20, 1958; and, requesting that we may be informed of the names of the representatives at your earliest convenience.

In this connection, we are also herewith attaching a copy of the letter received from the General Secretary of the All-India Kisan Sabha expressing a wish to send their representatives to participate in the Conference. We would ask you to examine the matter yourself of including in the Indian delegation one representative of young agricultural labourers. In any case, the tickets are placed at your disposal.

We regret that your engagements and exigencies of the situation have kept you away from your intended holiday for rest. We hope that you will still be able to make it possible for yourself to have this needed rest, and that we shall have the pleasure of meeting you.

Wishing you good health and sending you our warmest fraternal greetings,

Yours fraternally,

Giuseppe Casadei
Giuseppe CASADEI
Secretary of the W.F.T.U.

July 2, 1958

Secretary,
World Federation of Trade Unions,
Prague.

Dear Comrade,

About 30 workers from all parts of India have applied for passports to the Government of India to enable them to participate in the World Conference of Young Workers in Prague this month. We are not sure how many of them will get passport and hence we are unable to give their names now.

Some of the delegates would also attend the Leather TUI and Textile TUI Conferences in Sofia later this month.

Please arrange with the Czechoslovak and Bulgarian Governments to instruct their embassies at New Delhi to issue necessary visas to these delegates no sooner they get passport, on the certificates issued by the AITUC.

This is urgent as whatever passports are granted are likely to be issued just in time and they may not be held up for visa.

With warmest greetings,

Yours fraternally,

Mrs
Sri
(K.G. Sriwastava)
Secretary



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INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

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= MONEY OF WORKING YOUTH APPLICANTS COLLECTED =

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The sequence of entries at the beginning of this telegram is—class of telegram, time handed in, serial number (in the case of foreign telegrams only), office of origin, date, service instructions (if any) and number of words.

This form must accompany any enquiry respecting this telegram.

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July 3, 1958

EXPRESS DELIVERY

To W. Bengal STUC
Tamilnad "
Rajasthan "
Delhi "
Mill Mazdoor Union, Bombay
Suti Mill Mazdoor Sabha, Kanpur.

Sub: World Young Workers Conference and
Conference of Textile TUI and Leather TUI.

Dear Comrades,

Further to our circular letter of June 24, 1958, May I request you to please ask the delegates selected by you to the above Conferences to remit Rs.1,500/- immediately (not later than 7th July in any case) to us for making necessary arrangements to book seats. The money should be remitted either by moneyorder or crossed Bank Draft in my name.

Comrades who do not send the amount so as to reach us by 10th July will not be included in the delegation.

The delegation is expected to leave from Delhi on 11th and 12th July.

The earlier the money is received, the better chances for sure and in time booking.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

Vmo
3/7/58
(K.G.Sriwastava)
Secretary

P.S. Please inform us by wire (AIFUCONG, NEW DELHI), as soon as the delegates get passport.

Vmo
3/7/58

July 3, 1958

PERSONAL

Dear Com.I.G.,

It seems we shall not be able to send a big delegation to Young Workers Conference and Leather and Textile TUI Conferences. I do not think it will be possible for us to subsidise for more than six or seven in all. (Com.Satish Loomba who is already there and Com.Sailen Paul who has got a ticket, are in addition.)

Passport situation is still dim.

I hope if we are able to send in all seven comrades (they get passports and collect funds), Bengal will have two or three seats.

Will you please therefore send me the names in order of priority who should be selected from W.Bengal, in case all get passports (and all have collected funds.).

Com.Sukumar Dutta should be asked to pay his full fare and be outside our priority list, unless for weighty reasons you feel otherwise.

These comrades who attend the Young Workers Conference, can and should also go to the TUI Conferences. This means, in our selection we should give preference to comrades from Textile and Leather, as far as possible.

Please let me have your views at the earliest.

2. Now the Delhi climate is a bit better and hence Com.Siddhant may undertake his trip.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

K.G. Sriwastava
(K.G.Sriwastava)

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AITUC

July 3, 1958

General Secretary,
All-India Kisan Sabha,
New Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

Your letter to the World Federation of Trade Unions on delegations to the World Young Workers Conference, Prague, has been referred to us by the WFTU.

We regret to inform you that no free tickets are available which could be provided for delegates to the Young Workers Conference from India. The AITUC has however offered the following facilities to delegates from trade unions.

If the delegate collects Rs.1,500/- towards expenses, the balance on the cost of travel, etc., would be borne by the AITUC. Delegates should obtain passports on their own.

In order that representatives of agricultural labour youth may be able to participate in the World Conference, we would be glad to offer the above facilities to them, as we do to our affiliated unions. And we shall be glad to know the names of your nominees and if they have already obtained their passports.

The contribution, as above, from the delegate should reach us by 10th July latest, in order to enable us to make the necessary bookings.

Awaiting your reply.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

Sd.

(K.G.Sriwastava)
Secretary

Garden Reach Textile Workers' Union

Regd. No. 463

Q 77, AKRA ROAD : CALCUTTA-24

(Affiliated to All India Trade Union Congress)

No.

Date July 4, 1958.

Comrade K.G. Sriwestava,
All India Trade Union Congress.
4, Ashok Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Comrade Sriwestava,

Your letter of July 2, received yesterday.

I have been granted Passport today. As you know that the Passport has been received through the Peace Council and as such it looks very odd if I do not go to Stockholm. I have collected only 1,500/- and it is not possible for me to collect more. I am sending a Cheque ~~Rs.~~ of Rs. 1500/- to you by Monday, mail.

I hope that you will understand my position and do the needful. Please also see that I am not put in a false position before the Peace Council. Please let me know by the next Mail what I am to do more.

I leave everything to you to decide. The ticket may kindly be send here endorsed in my name.

Let me also know what I am to do regarding Visa etc.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

(ARUN SEN)

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Delhi Committee of All-India Trade Union Congress

Trade Union House, Katra Shahanshahi, Chandni Chowk, Delhi—6.

July 8, 1958.

To
The Secretary,
All India Trade Union Congress,
4, Ashoka Road,
New Delhi.

Dear Comrade,

With reference to your express-delivery letter dated July 3, 1958 I am forwarding to you two letters of the Kapra Mazdoor Ekta Union dealing with World Young Workers Conference and Conference of Textile TUI. These two letters are self explanatory.

We have also received information from Hotel Workers' Union that they have nominated their General Secretary, Com. M.M.Gope to participate in the Young Workers Conference. But they are finding it difficult to collect the requisite amount of Rs.1500 and need your assistance. I wonder if it would be possible for Com Gope to proceed to Prague.

Yours brotherly,

A.C.Nanda

(A.C.Nanda);

General Secretary
D. S.T.U.C.

Encl:-

Copies of two letters from
Kapra Mazdoor Ekta Union, Delhi.

Reprd.

Keeping with the consideration that those who have been once allowed should not be sent again - the principle account in this meeting at Deylins - you are M. S. and the our the names with

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"I do not believe that this problem could be solved at once. All that this conference can do is to push the matter forward. There are three introductory steps that must be taken first. First step: to reach an agreement on stopping the atomic tests. Half of this first step was already taken by the Soviet Union when she declared that she is stopping the tests. The next half of the step could be done by a similar decision of the United States and Great Britain. The second step would be to introduce international control of this stoppage. The beginning of this second step was done by the scientists conference which takes place in Geneva. The third and final step would be an agreement on a neutral zone in Europe neutralizing the great danger of Germany which already twice started the war. This proposal known as the Rapacki plan found many supporters not only in the socialist camp but also outside it; I do hope that the Stockholm Conference would help at least in accomplishing these three introductory steps. The Conference should arouse public opinion and increase its pressure upon the Governments concerned."

WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE OF WORKING YOUTH.

CTK Prague - The First World Trade Union Conference of Working Youth, which will be attended by close on 500 delegates of about 100 countries, will be held in Prague from July 14 to 20. In speaking about the importance of the conference, member of the preparatory committee of the conference and secretary of the French General Confederation of Labour (CGT), in the department Bouches-du-Rhone, Charles Salducci, said: "There is no doubt that the convocation of the conference is very urgent, first of all in view of the steadily growing number of working youth, in view of the greatly intensified exploitation of working youth in the capitalist and colonial countries and finally in view of the necessity to continually arousing the interest of the young people in the life of trade union organisations. The conference will be a great event in the history of the international trade union movement. We can expect from the conference: first, a better knowledge of the economic and social situation of working youth and the urgent demand to achieve unity of action of youth; second, a more precise picture of the struggle of working youth and forms of their organization; third, a very important exchange of opinions of youth of various continents and different trade union organizations. The participation of young people from Japan, Thailand, Morocco, Western Germany, Great Britain, Sweden, Chile and other countries which are not members of the World Federation of Trade Unions, will be also a contribution."



Both sides consider as one of the most urgent problems the cessation of tests of all types of nuclear weapons. It would also be of great importance if the member states of the Warsaw Treaty and the North Atlantic Pact concluded a non-aggression pact.

Both sides noted that the war preparations in the German Federal Republic, whose Government with the support of the US Government has undertaken the arming of the Bundeswehr with atomic and rocket weapons, have assumed an especially dangerous character. Both sides have confirmed their determination to lead a consistent struggle against the further militarisation of Western Germany. The realisation of the proposal by the Government of the Polish People's Republic for the setting up of a zone free of atomic and rocket weapons in Central Europe would contribute to averting the danger of war in Europe.

Serious anxiety was expressed at the situation which has come about in the Near and Middle East in connection with events in Lebanon. It was stressed that the solution of the internal political crisis in Lebanon is exclusively the internal affair of the Lebanese people. Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union most vigorously condemn all attempts to create an international problem of Lebanese events, as well as any attempt at armed intervention by the imperialist states, which would seriously threaten peace and security, not only in the Near and Middle East but in the world. Czechoslovakia and the Soviet Union are firmly resolved to develop, together with all peaceloving forces, all-round efforts to ease international tension.

LEOPOLD INFELD SPEAKS ON STOCKHOLM CONGRESS.

ČTK Stockholm -The famous Polish mathematician and physicist, Professor Leopold Infeld, was interviewed on July 13, by a Czechoslovak News Agency correspondent. Professor Infeld is best known for his collaboration with Albert Einstein; he lectured during World War Two at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton University, USA and at Toronto University in Canada. He will take part at the Congress on Disarmament which opens in Stockholm on July 16.

Professor Infeld stressed that he considers disarmament as the only important question of our days. He then went on: "The Stockholm Conference may prove to be an important step forward because in the free discussion which will take place at this conference we may be able to clarify the issues. There is today only one decisive issue: How to remove the threat of atomic war. This could be done only by hard work, by negotiations, one step after another.



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To National Centres affiliated
to the W.F.T.U.,

To Trade Unions Internationals
(T.D. of the W.F.T.U.)

Circ.: S.G.- No. 50

Dear Brothers,

Please find enclosed all of the documents
adopted by the First World Trade Union Conference of Young
Workers which was held in Prague from July 14 - 20, 1958.

Yours fraternally,

Louis SAILLANT
General Secretary

WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS

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FIRST WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE OF YOUNG WORKERS

(Prague, July 14 - 20, 1958)

LIST OF DOCUMENTS ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE

- No.1 Charter of Young Workers' Demands
- 2 Appeal to the Young Workers of the World
- 3 Declaration of the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers on the question of peace
- 4 Resolution on the Role of the Trade Unions in organising and uniting young workers
- 5 Recommendations of the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers to the World Federation of Trade Unions
- 6 Resolution for the withdrawal of United States troops and against all imperialist intervention in the Middle East
- 7 Appeal to the young workers of the United States of America
- 8 Resolution of solidarity with the people of Cyprus
- 9 Resolution of solidarity with the workers of Spain
- 10 Resolution on Atom Tests in the Sahara
- 11 Resolution on the situation in Korea
- 12 Telegram to the World Congress for Disarmament and International Co-operation in Stockholm
- 13 Telegram sent to the United Nations Security Council, New York, U.S.A.
- 14 Resolution on the Cameroons and Madagascar

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS ADOPTED

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers which met in Prague from July 14 to 20, 1958 adopted the following documents:

~~Charter~~ Charter of Young Workers' Demands, Appeal to the Young Workers of the World, Declaration of the First World Trade Union Conference of the Young Workers on the question of Peace, Resolution on the Role of the Trade Unions in organizing and uniting Young Workers, Recommendations of the First World Trade Union Congress of Young Workers to the WFTU, Resolution for the withdrawal of United States troops and against all imperialist intervention in the Middle East, Appeal to the Young Workers of the United States of America, Resolution ~~to the~~ of solidarity with the people of Cyprus, Resolution of solidarity with the workers of Spain, Resolution on Atom Tests in the Sahara, Resolution on the situation in in Korea, Telegram to the World Congress for Disarmament and International Co-operation in Stockholm, Telegram sent to the United Nations Security Council, New York, USA, ^{and} Resolution on the Cameroons and Madagascar.

WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS

A P P E A L

TO THE WORKERS OF THE WORLD

Brothers:

The workers of the world are following with close attention the developments in the Middle East and their significance.

The World Federation of Trade Unions urges all workers to consider these developments as events needing vigilant action by all supporters of peace, of whom the workers of both sexes throughout the world are dynamic spearhead.

The landing of American armed forces in the Lebanon is a crime against peace. It is a shameful violation of the people's right to self-determination. It is an open threat against the young Republic of Iraq.

So as to preserve their own profits and privileges, the American oil and other monopolies are ready to unleash war on Arab territory.

Throughout the world the workers are already prepared to put up a determined resistance to this new imperialist offensive.

Men and women workers of the world

Muster your forces!

Denounce the latest crime committed by the American monopolies and the Government of the U.S.A.

Organise active solidarity with the Arab peoples, and particularly now with the peoples of Lebanon and Iraq.

Unite at all levels and let the Embassies and Consulates of the United States know of your utter condemnation of their attack on peace, liberty and the rights of nations.

Defend with fervour the great cause of peace and take an active part in the anti-imperialist campaign, which is the best way to avoid the threat of a generalised armed conflict.

Call upon the UNO to halt the war operations of the U.S.A. and bring the American imperialists' war machine to a standstill.

Workers of the whole world, if we want to defend peace, now is the time for vigilance and action.

Now is the time for militant unity of all the forces for peace in the world.

WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS.

Prague, July 16, 1958.

WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS

FIRST WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE OF YOUNG WORKERS

(Prague, July 14 - 20, 1958)

Document No: 2

APPEAL TO THE YOUNG WORKERS OF THE WORLD

We, young workers and active trade unionists of different views, delegates and observers who have come together from 65 different countries to this First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, in answer to the call of the World Federation of Trade Unions, invite all young workers of whatever trade union affiliation, whatever political views, whatever religious beliefs and whatever race, to join the great family of workers and increase their activities within their trade union organisations, to win our demands and achieve a world of peace, freed from the atomic peril and the arms race, a world that corresponds to our desire for well-being and happiness.

We are living in a world of vast changes. The most fantastic dreams of our childhood are coming true before our very eyes, thanks to the united efforts of the forces of progress in the world.

In this age of artificial satellites, of preparations for interplanetary flights, of grandiose prospects for the peaceful utilisation of atomic energy, when the ground has opened up its great riches for the well-being of mankind, we ask ourselves what the future holds for us.

There are still too many young people in the world who are hungry, there are still too many in search of a job, too many illiterate, too many who are the victims of colonialism.

Yet in the socialist countries, where the right to work, to leisure and to culture is fully guaranteed, young people have tremendous opportunities of developing their talents to the fullest extent.

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In the capitalist countries and those which are freeing themselves now from the hateful oppression of colonialism, the young people are fighting side by side with their elders with ever-increasing strength. They are gaining victories which open before them prospects of a better world.

But in order to strengthen their domination and try to prevent the economic crises for which they are responsible, the capitalist monopolies and their governments are accelerating the arms race and resorting to military adventures, and increasing the danger of war with all its attendant horrors.

YOUNG WORKERS ALL OVER THE WORLD

We who are an integral part of the forces which create the wealth of all humanity, we who are human beings and not machines, must claim our right to a life of beauty and human dignity.

Let us organise the fight against dismissals and unemployment, to ensure a secure existence for all, and make the right to work a reality. To counteract the crises threatening the capitalist world, let us fight for better wages and working conditions, for shorter working hours without loss of wages and against discrimination in all its forms.

Let us take action to obtain general education and vocational training that corresponds to modern industrial and technological progress, to ensure the harmonious development of every individual.

Let us increase our activity to win, protect and extend trade union and social rights.

Let us contribute to the struggle to protect freedom, to achieve national independence for all peoples and to preserve peace.

All these demands for social progress and peace can and should be met by drawing on the vast profits of the capitalists and the sums devoted to war purposes, and by intensifying the fight for peace.

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Greater unity and greater activity on the part of the working class is the key to success.

TOGETHER WE ARE INVINCIBLE

The fine traditions of the international working class movement and its experience are a sure guide for our action. We must take a greater share in the work of the trade unions. Let us take part in this just fight with ever-growing enthusiasm, let us be among the most fervent advocates and organisers of working class unity which will ensure the victory of the working people. We must know how to gain the support of all who, like us, want a better life and a policy of peace.

YOUNG WORKERS IN CAPITALIST COUNTRIES!

Your struggle today is linked with that of your elders. You will carry on the fight with honour. Act together with them to make your dreams come true in the fight against your exploiters. Together with the whole of the working class prepare the way for victory over the forces of the past.

YOUNG WORKERS IN COUNTRIES FIGHTING TO WIN OR CONSOLIDATE INDEPENDENCE

Together with the rest of your people, you have already won great victories over the colonial oppressors. Many countries have been freed from this scourge. Their victories cannot be undone.

Your struggles for your demands and for democratic liberties are part of the great fight to win, protect and consolidate your national independence, a fight which cannot be divorced from the fight for peace.

Increase and extend your efforts!

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YOUNG WORKERS IN THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES!

You enjoy the constant solicitude of the working class in power.

Expand your activities to contribute towards swift expansion of the national economy, technology, science, and culture in your countries, to raise the material and cultural level of the workers.

Make your achievements and your successes ever more widely known to young people all over the world.

YOUNG WORKERS ALL OVER THE WORLD

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, and all workers, call upon you:

- to promote and strengthen friendship and solidarity between all the young people of the world;
- to increase contacts and exchanges between young people and between trade unions of all countries;
- make unity and working class co-operation your chief concern.

GREAT VICTORIES WILL BE YOURS!

Prague, July 19, 1958.

WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS

FIRST WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE OF YOUNG WORKERS

(Prague, July 14 - 20, 1958)

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DECLARATION OF THE FIRST WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE OF YOUNG WORKERS ON THE QUESTION OF PEACE

On behalf of millions of young workers, and feeling sure that we echo the feelings of all young workers of the world, we, the delegates of 65 countries taking part in the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, express our firm determination to defend peace. We, the younger generation, consider ourselves the first defenders of a happy future for humanity in the struggle of the working class and other progressive sections of the population: we feel ourselves to be in the forefront of the great gathering of forces vigorously and successfully carrying on the essential campaign to defend peace.

We solemnly condemn the aggressive policy of the American and British imperialists and their present military intervention in the Lebanon and Jordan; they are gravely jeopardising world peace. We firmly support the Arab peoples in the Middle East who are fighting for national independence and we demand withdrawal of the imperialist armies of intervention from the Lebanon and Jordan.

War preparations mean a considerable deterioration in the present conditions of young workers and compromise their future. Our fight for better wages, against unemployment, for broad educational facilities, and our fight for our demands in general are closely bound up with the fight to prevent another war.

We still remember the criminal consequences of the world wars unleashed by the imperialists. War destroys the fruits of man's long and patient toil; it brings social progress to a standstill. The last two wars took a toll of 40 million lives, and it is the young people who had to bear the heaviest burden in these disasters. A single atom bomb dropped on Hiroshima killed 290,000 people outright.

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Yet the imperialist warmongers, particularly the American monopolists, are indulging in a frenzied arms race and pursuing a policy of aggression in order to secure the maximum profits and attempt to prevent the economic crisis threatening the capitalist world from getting worse. While accentuating the unbalance of capitalist economy, this policy compels the workers to bear the cost of war preparations. The atomic war planned by the imperialists would be a terrible catastrophe for humanity and for young people above all.

We are glad to be able to say that at present the forces of peace are stronger than those of war. The forces of peace are becoming stronger every day: they include the socialist countries -- particularly the Soviet Union and China with their decisive strength -- which are growing stronger and stronger; the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America fighting against imperialism and for national independence; the working class of the capitalist countries supported by ever-broader sections of the population in the constant battle to frustrate the schemes of the warmongers. Imperialism is becoming more isolated and unpopular and its decline is approaching speedily.

Using all means in their power, the imperialists are trying to divide the working class and the forces of peace in order to involve the people, and first and foremost the young people, in their preparations for war. They are trying to influence the minds of the young people at school and during their military service, in order to inculcate in them chauvinist, war-like ideas.

The young workers appreciate the contribution made by the scientists and teachers to the fight for peace, by their condemnation of the imperialist falsification; they welcome all efforts and campaigns against war propaganda, especially the decision of the Japanese teachers to strike in September 1958 in protest against the intention to turn them into advocates of chauvinism and aggression when they carry out their function as teachers. Young people will not willingly be sacrificed as cannon-fodder, nor will they be taken in by imperialist propaganda.

We give our warm support to the peaceful gesture of the Soviet Union in stopping nuclear weapon tests. We call upon the governments of the United States, Great Britain and France to put an immediate end to the testing and manufacture of atomic weapons and to remove all launching sites and military bases in foreign territory. We demand a ban on the use of nuclear weapons.

We vehemently protest against the French Government's plans to use the Sahara for nuclear tests and support the people of Africa in their resistance to this proposal. We call for a

Summit Conference to settle international disputes. We support any proposal which will help to lessen international tension and strengthen peace, in particular, the proposal for an atom-free zone in Europe. We regard with anxiety the increasing militarisation of Federal Germany and Japan by the imperialists, and give warm support to the brave resistance of the young people of these countries against militarisation.

We are disturbed by the growing military imperialism of Japan and Federal Germany and warmly support the courageous resistance to militarisation by the youth and people of these countries. We consider that the decision to supply the Federal German Army with atomic weapons considerably increases the danger of war in Europe.

We give our support to the struggle waged by people suffering under fascism which breeds war and misery. We express our solidarity with the French people in their struggle to defend democratic liberties and against the danger of fascism.

We call upon the French imperialists to put an immediate end to the colonial war in Algeria and negotiate with the National Liberation Front on the basis of recognition of the Algerian people's right to independence. We call for an end to armed repression by the British government in Cyprus, and recognition of the right of the Cypriot people to self-determination. We call for an end to intervention in Indonesia, Cuba and other countries. We fully support the demands of the Indian and Indonesian people for the restitution of Goa and West Irian, territories occupied by the Portuguese and Dutch imperialists.

We offer our full support to the peoples fighting imperialism and foreign intervention and for their independence, as we are convinced that this struggle is one with the struggle for peace throughout the world.

We give our unconditional support to the efforts made by the people of Viet Nam, Korea and Germany to bring about the reunification of their countries; the division of these countries create dangerous hotbeds of war.

We call on the governments to reduce the length of military service and their war budgets so that the money may be used instead for education and vocational training. We demand a policy of peace. This would help to improve the living conditions of all workers and make it easier for young workers to obtain their economic and social demands.

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Young workers must unite closely with their elders in the struggle for peace, so as to make their trade unions a citadel to defend peace, and achieve and consolidate working class unity.

Working class unity will be the decisive factor in the defence of peace. We strongly support the World Federation of Trade Unions in its persevering efforts to bring about trade union unity. We call upon the W.F.T.U., the I.C.F.T.U. and the I.F.C.T.U. and all other national and international trade union organisations to achieve unity of action in defence of peace. We approve of all efforts to make it possible for young workers of different countries to meet. We are convinced that such **contacts** will facilitate international understanding that is so essential to peace.

We fully support the decisions adopted by the European Trade Union and Workers' Conference held in Berlin from June 20 - 22. We undertake to do all in our power to make the week of October 15 - 22 a great week of international action and solidarity against the threat of atomic war and for peace.

We, the young workers, will unite with all young people, all sections of the population and all youth organisations working with peace as their aim. We lend our full support to the World Congress for Disarmament and International Co-operation which is now being held in Stockholm, and to the Fourth World Conference against A and H bombs, which will take place in Tokyo next August.

We are convinced that if all peace forces unite firmly and act with determination, the danger of war will be eliminated, human values will be preserved and lasting peace will open a wide path leading to a better life, progress and happiness for all, without discrimination on grounds of race.

Long live peace!

Long live the staunch **unity** of the working class of the world!

Prague, July 19, 1958.

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RESOLUTION ON THE ROLE OF THE TRADE UNIONS IN ORGANISING AND UNITING YOUNG WORKERS

After discussing the third item on the agenda, "The role of the trade unions in organising and uniting young workers and the part young people play in the activities and strengthening of the trade unions", the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, held in Prague from July 14 - 20, 1958, adopted the following resolution:

The Conference notes the growing number of young workers in all branches of production, and that they are taking part in all the struggles of the working class and in the activities of the trade union movement to obtain economic and social rights, democratic liberties and national independence and to defend peace.

The Conference observes that the number of young workers affiliated to trade unions is increasing from day to day, but there are still many young workers who do not belong to trade unions. Young workers need the help of the trade unions; and the trade unions, in order to strengthen their struggles for the common interests of the working class, need the young workers who are an integral part of this class.

The trade unions will persuade more young people to join them if they intensify the struggle for the special claims of the young workers, the young unemployed and those young people reaching a working age. The specific claims of young workers and those of adult workers are complementary and, together, form the claims of the working class as a whole.

Irrespective of their ideology, affiliation, religion or race, young workers must unite to defend their common interests. The trade unions should help this unity and help to direct and support the struggles of all democratic and working youth for their aspirations.

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This Conference considers that if the trade unions were more active in the places of work, they would be able to organise young workers with greater ease. This is one of the principal means by which action in the interests of young workers can be developed and by which they can be brought into the trade union movement.

The Conference has seen that good results have been obtained by trade union organisations, which, in their work among young workers, are helped by specialised commissions or other bodies composed of young workers, or with their participation, according to the conditions in each country. The Conference invites all trade union leaders to consider these lessons and to draw on this practical experience.

Taking into account the conditions prevailing in each country, we can bring young workers into the trade unions and keep their interest by suitable methods of work, by many different cultural and sports activities, by organising meetings between young industrial and agricultural workers, and by other means. Through organising this type of activity and the consistent work of trade union leaders, the trade unions will become attractive centres for young people bringing them gradually to feel at home in the trade union atmosphere.

This Conference considers that the trade unions ought to increase their efforts to educate young workers in the spirit of trade union democracy and class struggle, in proletarian internationalism, for the defence of peace, to give active support to the cause of national independence for all peoples and against racial discrimination, for solidarity with the peasants and other members of the working population, and so on.

In many countries the trade unions have accumulated a wealth of experience in training young trade unionists: schools, trade union courses, etc. Other forms of education can be used according to the situation prevailing in each country. Every means the trade union movement may use to pass on experience to young workers are of equal value.

It would be particularly desirable for young workers to be promoted to leading positions at all levels of trade union organisation, from the lowest to the highest, to a greater degree than at present.

Conference declares that in the socialist countries the conditions have been created for young workers to enjoy full trade union rights and play an unrestricted part in trade union activities. The trade unions give their full support to young workers, who are represented at all levels of the trade union movement.

In the economic and political conditions existing under capitalism the trade unions have achieved successes on behalf of young workers, but they must make still greater efforts in this direction.

In countries which have won independence or are still fighting for it, the question of the organisation of young workers is of very great importance also.

Therefore, in all their activities connected with young people, the trade unions must bear in mind the specific situation in each country.

This Conference appeals to all trade union organisations without distinction of affiliation or tendency, to draw upon the different points of this resolution in their work.

This will allow us to extend the activities of the trade union movement for the social and economic needs of young workers and the whole of the working class.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

OF THE FIRST WORLD TRADE UNION CONFERENCE OF YOUNG WORKERS TO THE WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS

We, young workers from all over the world, gathered at the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, held in Prague from July 14 - 20, 1958, following a decision by the Fourth World Trade Union Congress:-

Declare that this Conference is of major importance for all young workers and trade unions throughout the world.

We are convinced that this Conference will give the young workers and the trade unions of all countries new reasons to forge ahead in their activity. Considered from this point of view, the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers has a great fundamental political and practical significance for the entire working class.

This means that the scope of this Conference extends far beyond the Conference itself and that the World Federation of Trade Unions and the Fourth World Trade Union Congress were right to convene it.

Bearing in mind the many proposals put forward by the delegates to this Conference on the subject of trade union activity in the interests of young workers, we submit the following recommendations to the leadership of the W.F.T.U.:-

- to study the possibility of holding a trade union course on youth questions in the course of 1959;

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A course of this type would allow young trade union officials from different countries to join the Secretariat of the W.F.T.U. in examining the specific problems which occupy the attention of young workers and trade unions: they would also be able to study the international repercussions of this First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers. In addition, the results of this course would be a further contribution towards the future work of trade unions among young workers.

Trade unions throughout the whole world would find it extremely useful if the next session of the General Council of the W.F.T.U. were to include among its tasks an examination of the results of the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers and the ways these activities can be continued.

We suggest to the leadership of the W.F.T.U. that a second World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers be held.

We consider that it would be opportune to invite some trade union officials responsible for youth questions to attend the session of the General Council.

The Conference believes it would be worthwhile after the Conference to continue the special column in international trade union publications dealing with youth problems in the international trade union movement. This would help the trade unions to keep well-informed on the demands and struggles of young workers in different countries and would be of great help to them in their work among young people.

The Conference proposes that the W.F.T.U. Secretariat should forward the Conference decisions to the International Labour Office and the United Nations' Economic and Social Council.

Furthermore, we feel that the World Federation of Trade Unions should pay great attention to young workers' problems and encourage meetings and contacts between young workers of different countries. We hold that such a step corresponds to the universal interests of young workers and would emphasize the international significance of our Conference.

We are submitting these proposals to the leadership of the W.F.T.U. in the belief that they will help to develop young workers' activities throughout the world. In addition, they would make work for and with the youth a serious and permanent part of trade union activity.

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RESOLUTION FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF UNITED STATES TROOPS AND AGAINST ALL IMPERIALIST INTERVENTION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers,

- declaring that the American army's intervention in the Lebanon has created a hotbed of war and constitutes a threat to world peace while being a flagrant violation of national sovereignty and the right of peoples to self-determination,
- protests to the Government of the United States against this act of aggression which is a threat to world peace,
- calls upon the United Nations Organisation to secure the withdrawal of the American forces from the Lebanon in order to preserve peace in the Middle East and throughout the world,
- gives its firm support to the new Republic of Iraq and condemns any imperialist intervention which might be attempted in Iraq or Jordan,
- calls upon all the workers and all the trade union organisations of the world, irrespective of affiliation and tendency, to do all in their power to support the people of the Lebanon and Iraq in their fight for independence and against the intervention of the imperialists.

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A P P E A L

TO THE YOUNG WORKERS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dear Friends,

Like us, you are young and you are full of plans for the future. You want to have a happy home, to study, to enjoy the pleasures of sport. You would like to work and to be better paid.

These are your most heartfelt wishes.

This too is what the young workers of the Lebanon and Iraq would like.

Ordered by their government, American soldiers have just landed in the Lebanon because there, thousands of miles away from America the young people and the whole of the Lebanese people are struggling for their freedom, and because in Iraq the young people and the whole nation have just proclaimed a Republic and overthrown tyranny.

The army of your country is interfering in the internal affairs of these states, violating their national independence and the sacred right of all peoples to determine their own future.

Your army is over there to defend the sordid interests of the American oil monopolies which for years and years have been pillaging and robbing the people of these countries.

You too have had occasion to struggle, to go on strike in defence of your wages. You were in the right and each time we ardently wished you success.

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Today you are being asked to protect the bank balances of those you were then fighting against, and may again be fighting tomorrow. Do not count on their gratitude. They will go on making their millions with your sweat and your blood.

We know that in the United States there are 15 million adults and young workers organised in trade unions. Young workers throughout the world are expecting them to take mass action for peace and the independence of the peoples of the Middle East.

Together with young people throughout the world, demand that your Government withdraw its troops from the Lebanon and respects the independence of all peoples.

If this adventure is not brought to a stop in time it may degenerate into a world conflict.

Nobody can remain indifferent to the threat of such a calamity, which would affect the whole world, including you in your country. We appeal to your conscience.

You lost many men in Korea but the U.S.A. trusts acquired fabulous wealth.

Your armies and your Government were forced by the resistance of the Korean people, supported by the solidarity of all nations, to make peace.

You are proud of your Declaration of the Rights of Man.

We are therefore sure that you, like all the other young workers of the world will condemn those who want to prevent other peoples from having their own Declaration of the Rights of Man.

No nation which oppresses another can be free itself.

You can do much, in company with all the young people of the world to put a stop to this adventure and the war it heralds. We are sure you will do so.

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It is with firm determination that we call upon you and the young people of the whole world and all nations to support the struggle of the peoples of these countries against armed American intervention.

This, young workers of the United States of America, our brothers and sisters, is a frank message from 466 delegates representing 65 countries at the First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers meeting in Prague now, in the middle of July 1958.

Together we can save peace!

Prague, July 19, 1958.

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RESOLUTION OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers expresses its full support for the struggle of the people of Cyprus to win their right to self-determination.

This Conference protests against military repression and calls upon the British Government to open bilateral negotiations with the Cypriot people as soon as possible and to put an end to their plans to divide Cyprus which have already created a permanent hotbed of war and a threat to peace.

In the name of the young workers of the whole world this Conference hails the struggle of the young people and the whole of the people of Cyprus to free their country from the colonial yoke, wishing them every success.

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RESOLUTION OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE WORKERS OF SPAIN

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers has considered with indignation the new wave of repressive measures against workers in Spain. Hundreds of young workers have been imprisoned for taking part in the strikes in March and April of this year in the Asturias, Barcelona and other regions of Spain.

Dozens of workers have been brought before the Special Military Tribunal, with jurisdiction over the whole country, and are threatened with sentences of many years of imprisonment.

In Barcelona, those who were arrested in March were taken from prison to be tortured at police headquarters in order to force them to confess crimes they had not committed.

The trial of the 44 young students and workers, who are being prosecuted for having taken part in the World Youth Festival for Peace and Friendship in Moscow, will soon be taking place.

The World Trade Union Conference of Young workers voices an energetic protest against the arrest of workers who have done nothing worse than demand higher wages and better living conditions, against the tortures the victims have to undergo, and calls upon the young people of the world, workers, peasants, intellectuals, students and all men and women of human feeling to demonstrate their protest and to demand from the Spanish authorities an amnesty for political prisoners, the suppression of the Special Military Tribunals and the release of all held in prison.

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RESOLUTION ON ATOM TESTS IN THE SAHARA

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers has considered the decision of the French Government to carry out an atom bomb test in the Sahara;

Believing that the greater the number of powers with atom bombs at their disposal, the greater will be the threat to peace;

Protests against this plan which, if it is carried out, will expose Africa to the disastrous effects of radiation;

Calls upon the French Government not to carry out this plan, and upon all atomic powers to stop production and testing of thermo-nuclear weapons.

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RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN KOREA

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers considers that the establishment of rocket launching sites and the stockpiling of weapons of mass destruction in South Korea constitute dangerous acts perpetrated by the aggressive American forces who thus reveal their preparations for a new war and threaten not only the Korean people but all peace-loving people including the young workers.

This Conference welcomes the step towards peace made by the governments of the People's Democratic Republic of Korea and the Chinese People's Republic in withdrawing the Chinese volunteers from North Korea. The Conference calls on the American army to withdraw immediately from South Korea and protests against the acts of violence committed by this army against the people of South Korea.

This Conference expresses its full solidarity with the young workers and people of Korea who are fighting the establishment of launching sites and the stockpiling of weapons of mass destruction in South Korea; and struggling to achieve the immediate withdrawal of the American occupation troops and peaceful unification of their country.

This Conference calls upon the young workers of the world and trade union organisations to show their solidarity in various ways and give active support to this struggle.

Prague, July 19, 1958.

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TELEGRAM TO THE WORLD CONGRESS FOR DISARMAMENT AND INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN STOCKHOLM

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, meeting in Prague from July 14 to 20, 1958, sends sincere greetings to your Congress for Disarmament and International Co-operation.

Speaking for millions of young workers of every race, shade of opinion and trade union affiliation, we give our complete support to the fine objectives of your Congress, which are also the chief objectives of our Conference.

We are voicing the determination of young workers from all countries to unite our action and collaborate with our peoples in order to remove the threat of atomic war and put an end to the arms race.

Aware that we, the young workers, would be the first victims in the event of war and that only peace can guarantee better living conditions and a happy future, we wish your Congress every success and promise to do our best to carry into effect all decisions your Congress and our Conference will take in support of peace.

The Presidium of the First World
Trade Union Conference of Young
Workers

Prague, July 16, 1958

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TELEGRAM SENT TO THE
UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers, meeting in Prague and attended by 472 delegates from 65 countries is shocked at the news that American troops have landed on Lebanese territory. American armed intervention in the Lebanon constitutes a threat to world peace and may provoke war; at the same time, it flagrantly violates the people's right to self-determination and the principles set forth in the Charter of the United Nations. The Conference protests vigorously against these acts of aggression and the threat to world peace. It invites the Security Council to take steps to ensure immediate withdrawal of American armed forces from the Lebanon in order to save peace in the Middle East and throughout the world.

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Prague, July 17, 1958.

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R E S O L U T I O N

on The Cameroons and Madagascar

The First World Trade Union Conference of Young Workers demands that police and military repression in the Cameroons in particular in the regions of "SANAGA MARITIME" and "BAMILIKE" be stopped and that the independence and unification of the Cameroons be agreed upon.

We also protest against the French National Assembly's rejection of an immediate and general amnesty for those arrested and detained following the 1947-48 events in Madagascar.

Prague, July 19, 1958.