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International Labour Organization

Dear all,

The Federation of Trade Unions of Macedonia considers that the right to strike is an important part of the freedom of association and based on the interpretations of the governing bodies of the ILO that Convention 87 guarantees the right to strike as a basic principle in labor relations, the right to strike is incorporated in the Constitution of the state as a basic and fundamental law, the Law on labor relations and other laws from the labor-law field.

Any different interpretation of Convention 87, as well as the inability of the ILO to supervise the exercise of the right to strike, will lead to serious disturbances in the exercise of employment rights in all countries, including our country.

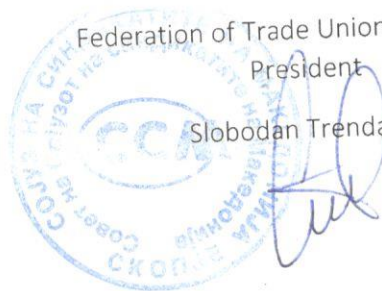
It should be taken into account that the economic and military crisis as well as the consequences of the health Covid crisis resulted in a large number of strikes by workers in the Republic of North Macedonia, last year and this year 2023. The workers were forced to seek and realize their rights to a salary for a dignified life, regulation of labor-legal relations with a collective agreement, etc. through strikes as a necessary tool for the protection of workers' rights whenever, contrary to the laws and social occasions, negotiations and social dialogue evade.

The Federation of Trade Unions of Macedonia, as the only representative trade union in the Republic of North Macedonia, supports the request for referral of the question regarding the interpretation of Convention no. 87 in the context of the fact that the right to strike as a basic labor right derives from and is protected by Convention No. 87, in the Governing Body of the ILO and we ask the Governing Body to make a decision to refer the dispute for resolution to the International Court of Justice.

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