RWU Resolution in Support of Doro-Chiba and KCTU

Whereas, the rail workers of South Korea and their union leadership have experienced continual repression from the Park administration and attacks on their rights to union membership; and

Whereas, the Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU) has been historically committed to building workers’ power between industrial sectors, for both permanent and contract workers; and

Whereas, Doro-Chiba (National Railway Motive Power Union) has a long history of struggle against privatization, casualization, militarism and environmental destruction in Japan; and

Whereas, Both Doro-Chiba and the KCTU have actively sought to build solidarity with workers in the U.S. through multiple visits including their attendance at the 2016 RWU convention;

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that RWU stands in solidarity with the KCTU rail workers and truck drivers engaged in the struggle against the weakening of labor laws, privatization, casualization and union busting in South Korea; and

Be it Further Resolved, that RWU supports the ongoing struggle of Doro-Chiba to win the reinstatement of the 1047 workers who were terminated during the strikes against the privatization of Japan National Railway (JNR) and the ongoing struggle of Japanese railway workers to ensure safe working conditions; and

Be it Finally Resolved, that RWU supports the November 2016 Joint Action in Tokyo and Seoul of both the Doro-Chiba and the KCTU, and will send official representatives to assist in building international solidarity and support.

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