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Dear Colleagues,

We are deeply shocked and saddened by the terrible news of the devastating earthquake that struck southern Turkey early this morning! On behalf of the ITUC President Akiko Gono and all our affiliates, we are sending our deepest condolences to our trade union sisters and brothers in Turkey and the many victims caused by this tragedy. We express our deepest respect for the rescuers and all those who are presently sparing no effort to save human lives, often at the expense of their own safety.

We are well aware of the dual burden that **you are faced with: the defence of workers' rights and jobs** in these economically difficult times and the huge challenge to mitigate the consequences of this earthquake. Please be assured of our solidarity in these tragic times!

Yours in solidarity

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Owen Tudor'.

Owen Tudor
Deputy General Secretary