



# NUCLEAR POWER & INDUSTRY WORKERS UNION OF UKRAINE

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**General Secretary  
IndustriALL GU  
Atle Hoie  
General Secretary  
IndustriALL-Europe  
Judith Kirton-Darling**

**Dear Atle and Judith!**

On behalf of 13 Ukrainian affiliates, namely:

*Nuclear Power and Industry Workers Union of Ukraine*

**(President Matov V.O.)**

*Trade Union of Metal Workers and Miners of Ukraine (Chairman Riabko O.I.)*

*Trade Union of Coal Mining Industry of Ukraine (Chairman Zymyn A.O.)*

*Independent Trade Union of Miners of Ukraine (Chairman Volynets M.Y.)*

*Energy and Electrotechnical Industry Workers Union of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Davydenko O.P.)**

*Oil and Gas Industry Workers Union of Ukraine (Chairman Dmytryshyn V.I.)*

*Chemical and Petrochemical Industry Workers Union of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Mytsko M.V.)**

*Trade Union of Aircraft and Machine Building workers of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Zhugayevych Y.V.)**

*Trade Union of Defence Industry Workers*

**(Chairman Gubaidullin F.F.)**

*Radio Electronics and Mechanical Engineering Workers Trade Union of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Olkhovets G.A.)**

*Automobile and Agricultural Machinery Workers Union of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Dudnyk O.V.)**

*Trade Union of Machine Building and Metalworking of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Eismont Y.A.)**

*Trade Union of Machine Builders and Instrument Makers of Ukraine*

**(Chairman Kubrachenko A.V.)**

We are sending you a joint statement:

**Warning Statement  
to the IndustriALL GU and IndustriALL-Europe affiliates**

**Dear sisters and brothers!**

24.02.24 is a tragic date for the Ukrainian people - two years since the beginning of russia's large-scale war in Ukraine. This war is escalating, killing the Ukrainian nation, plundering Ukrainian land, erasing identity of the abducted Ukrainian children!

**We address to the trade union's community of the European Union and at the global level with the Warning Statement. Russia has launched an active phase of hybrid warfare in European countries in order to undermine stability and unity.**

The struggle for the rights of agricultural producers in Poland is the cornerstone of the trade union activity. Strike is a sacred right and a mechanism of a struggle. But it's not the right way to mix struggle and the purposeful vandalism in favor of russia - an aggressor and terrorist country!

Russian agents of influence in Poland have already exploited the fair intentions of farmers.

Russia has begun to use any protest intentions or disaffection in EU countries to create chaos, undermine the foundations of democracy, and bring to power the far-right parties which are financed by russia.

As of today, we state that several Ukrainian drivers have died in the transport's blockage at the border. Who will be responsible for these deaths?

Ukrainian grain, which was grown during the war, was harvested under shelling and bombing by Ukrainian farmers who risked their lives, spilt out of trains onto railway tracks in the transit to the EU.

We are sure that genuine Polish farmers, who know the price of each harvest, are not capable of such "feats".

On the night of February 25, the wagons of the train directed to Germany were broken, and about 180 tons of corn from 8 wagons were poured onto the railway tracks. This means not only the loss of the harvest, but also an attempt to paralyze temporarily the railway and the safety of the transport routes.

The day before, wagons with grain and rapeseed were damaged, and poured onto the railway tracks as well.

At one of the border crossings between Poland and Ukraine, screws and nails were spilled. Vandal attacks on civilian passenger vehicles were recorded, tires were punctured, and the road was damaged. Who will be responsible for this vandalism? At the same time, trains with grain run freely from the territory of Belarus and the Russian Federation.

The goal of the Russian Federation is to prevent the supply of artillery shells and weapons to Ukraine, and Russia successfully copes with this, using the protest moods of farmers in Poland.

Ukraine pays with the lives of its defenders, including trade union members, defending Ukraine and Europe!

**We call on the trade unions of Poland to contribute to the unblocking of transport routes as the strategic facilities, the blockade of which is currently harming Ukraine and Poland. In particular, the economies of both countries and security at border checkpoints are suffering.**

We draw attention of the trade unionists at all levels; the situation in Poland is a threatening signal.

When organizing protests in your own countries, we advise you to take enhanced security measures to prevent provocations, in order your fair struggle will not be used to weaken your countries.

**We believe that unity, vigilance, strengthening security measures and the commitment to the principles of solidarity will allow us to protect together the rights of workers and prevent provocations in favor of the Russian Federation.**

**In Solidarity!**

**President**



**Valeriy Matov**

*P.S. We kindly ask you to circulate the Statement of 13 Ukrainian Unions among the IndustriALL GU and IndustriALL-Europe affiliates.*