

Resolution No. 4

For Lasting Peace and Democracy

The 10th ITUC-AP General Council Meeting in Manila, Philippines, 27 - 28 October 2014:

- RECALLS** that the year 2015 marks the 70th Anniversary of the end of World War II;
- EMPHASISES** that a peaceful and stable society, free from war, discrimination and human rights violations, is an absolute prerequisite for workers to lead an ordinary life, to work, and to pursue sustainable social and economic development;
- IS DEEPLY CONCERNED** that disparity is widening along the globalising economy, that economic and social situations are becoming unstable in many places in the world, and that frequent military conflicts resulting in tremendous deaths and injuries;
- NOTES** that the collapse or stagnation of economy triggered by violence would result in mass unemployment, in youth, children and women among others, leading to disappointment and hopelessness;
- IS DEEPLY CONCERNED** that nuclear weapons, that deprived more than 200,000 people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki of their precious lives, still exist with around 16,000 warheads, posing the whole world to the threat;
- REQUESTS** that the ITUC-AP, together with its affiliates and Global Union Federations (GUFs):
- to further demand the government in respective country should not use its "anti-terrorist measures" to suppress or deter the fundamental rights of trade unions,
 - to mobilise support of governments and the society in general to promote reduction and not-proliferation of arms and abolition of mass destruction weapons, based on the Resolution No. 15 adopted by the 2nd ITUC-AP Regional Conference; and
 - to canvass support of governments for the early entry into force of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), a dialogue for the Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty (FMCT), and a commitment to effective consensus toward the review conference of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT).