

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Nepal

The 2nd ITUC-AP General Council Meeting in Bangkok, Thailand, on 4-6 November 2008:

NOTES

that though the Nepalese government has declared a new rate of minimum wage subject to implement since mid-July, the Apex body of the employers has made public announcement to back-track the government decision;

CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT

to effectively implement the declared wage rate across the board;

REITERATES

that the minimum wage should constitute a fair living wage set above the poverty line;

CONDEMNS

the employers' attitude which may derail the ongoing process of labour law reform in Nepal;

EXPRESSES CONCERN

that various multinational companies operating in Nepal are denying workers fundamental labour rights;

DEPLORES

that workers of one of the joint ventures-UTL are even denying appointment letter for which the workers are struggling since 7 months;

DEPLORES

that a foreign airlines is not implementing court verdict which favoured the workers rights as per Nepali labour act and non-observance of core labour standards;

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to effectively implement the declared wage rate across the board;

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the Nepalese government and respective managements to fulfill workers legitimate demands and draws attention of Nepali government to implement its earlier decision related to UTL labour-management dispute.