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To Metalicy
To Federation of Metallurgy
To Workers at the Kremikovtzi plant
Bulgaria

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have been informed about the dramatic developments at the Kremikovtzi steelmaking complex and the protests staged by workers against attempts at liquidating the plant.

The International Metalworkers' Federation, which represents the interests of 25 million metalworkers around the world, stands in solidarity with you all in your struggle to ensure a future for the plant, the payment of wages and fair living conditions for you and your families.

The world financial crisis should not be used as an excuse for inaction and disregarding the fundamental right of all workers to work and have a decent life.

Your fight is our common fight. We support your demands for job safeguard and the payment of wages of the last three months, and call on Kremikovtzi management and the Bulgarian government to take all necessary measures to ensure the normal operations of the plant for the benefit of the workers and the country as a whole.

In solidarity,



Marcello Malentacchi
General Secretary