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May 1, 2024: Greetings to all port workers worldwide

Dear colleagues

May 1st is always a special day. It is a day of struggle for the working class worldwide. And port workers are often at the forefront of the fight for jobs, workers' rights, a dignified life and a future worth striving for. And we learn to think, feel and act as part of the international working class. Also in indispensable struggles against arms exports such as for the Ukraine and Gaza wars, predatory preparations for world war, dangerous developments towards fascism and environmental catastrophe.

May Day is also always a day for us dockers to look to the future. We take a look into freedom, into a life without capitalist exploitation and oppression; a life without port capitalists, shipowners, logistics companies and their servile state and power organs. Far too often our struggles remain isolated where coordination and cooperation across ports and countries is necessary. We need unwavering solidarity, rapid information and exchange of our experiences.

Let's organize for this - internationally! Let us oppose all imperialist policies, local and national divisions, racism and social chauvinism.
and social chauvinism. Out on the streets on May 1st!

**Dockers United Will Never Be Defeated
Proletarians of all countries, unite!**

The **International Dockworkers' Exchange of Experience - HAE** - has been working since 2008. We inform and organize solidarity with strikes and protests of dockworkers all over the world. We strengthen our unions for the struggle, contribute our experiences and work together respectfully and on an equal footing. We organize visits to port workers in Europe. Our aim is to contribute to the coordination of the struggles of dockers, seafarers and shipyard workers. We have a joint coordination group with representatives from the Netherlands (Rotterdam), Italy and Germany (Hamburg), which works according to democratic rules. New topics such as the struggle for the protection of natural resources, the struggle against militarization, nuclear transports and predatory, imperialist wars have been added to our agenda. Get in touch with us! Report on May Day, your struggles and concerns!

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