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# DEAR ICLM MEMBERS!

We live in a world where people can communicate fast to the utmost all around the world but at the meantime, where they are individualized and became lonely. As technology progresses, our sincerity and proximity are retreating. As the incomes of the communities increase, their happiness are declining. As the share of labour and elbow grease in production decreases, the world becomes mechanical and separates from the spirit of humanity. We become more and more greedy and ambitious people as long as we possess more things. Despite all these negativities brought by the epoch, NGOs act as a shield. The interaction of different societies with each other, their cooperation and interacting with cultural values, are mainly carried out by civil society organizations.

Therefore; As ICLM, we want to open a new epoch in the field of labour movement. We want to exist as an organization working for the future of the labourers in real sense, against the organizations that use the power of the labourers in favour of the interests of their own countries, using the trade union struggle as a mafiatric gain method. There is no discrimination in the founding philosophy of the ICLM. There is no excluding people and societies according to their religion, language, race and other characteristics.

There is no usage of labour power in the direction of the political interests of some countries. There is no pouring of labourers into the streets, making them an instrument of coup in order to change the governments of the countries.

Turning the power of labour into a tool of global exploitation does not exist. ICLM exists in order to ensure that all people share the burden and gain of production on the basis of humanity fairly.

There is the usage of labour power in favour of the happiness, welfare and development of humanity all over the world. Millions of members of ICLM will take responsibility for the solution of problems involving millions of laborers, the world and humanity.

The famine, hunger, misery, wars and massacres in the world are of concern of the ICLM. In everywhere where such problems take place, there is also a problem with labour and production.

The labourers are the people who take the burden of the world and who take the heaviest responsibility with regard to the struggle for existence of mankind.

Because of this responsibility, every chaos and confusion that takes place in the world will initially increase the burden of labourers.

For this reason, as the ICLM family, we will fight for a more liveable world. We will play an important role in solving the problems that arise in the name of humanity. As of being labour movements organized in many countries of the world, we will fulfill a very important mission for humanity as long as we act together and in unity.

Distinguished members!

In order to grow the ICLM family even more, great duties fall to each of our members. We have to work with might and main in order to further expand our family by explaining the mission of our organization. As the labour organizations under the ICLM framework increase, we will have greater possibility intended for making a greater contribution to world peace and humanity.

We hope to be in front of you with good news on new issues of our magazine.

# INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF LABOUR MOVEMENT (ICLM) CELEBRATED ITS 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNIVERSARY



**ICLM celebrated its 1st anniversary with the participation of 45 unionist from 26 different countries.**

The topics of the ICLM meeting were; “The Role of Trade Unions in National Development”, “Terrorism and its impact on the workers”

The program started with ICLM promotion film and English video of the 15 July treacherous coup attempt was shown to the delegation.

**“TURKISH NATION WROTE ITS OWN DESTINY BY STOPPING THE TREACHEROUS COUP ATTEMPT ON 15 JULY.”**

ICLM and Bem-Bir-Sen President Mursel Turbay, who made the opening speech of the meeting, told the delegation about the treacherous coup attempt.

Turbay said the following: “As is known, our country on July 15, overcome a great danger, a treacherous coup attempt by saying I am here. Our people have decided to stop this dirty act with the will of our nation.” Even when the present global system, which has remained indecisive and has no idea what to do, the Turkish Nation has determined its own destiny with the courage and determination to demonstrate in the treacherous coup attempt of July 15.

We aware that the worst civilian governments are better than the best coups, with this awareness we as the whole nation stopped the tanks with bare hands. Nevertheless, we have always been and will continue to show sensitivity to the detention of those who betray





Mürsel Turbay



Gürkan Alper



Albania

their motherland, to be removed from their jobs, to be removed from their work, or even to be arrested on the basis of justice.

As a society, we left behind a period in which not only a certain section was affected by of terror but all the nation. Terrorist organizations those taking orders from outside the state, congregational structures or non-national organizations against the state and nation anyone who does business and transactions should take the heaviest punishment.



After that night on July 15, We left behind the periods of in which the democracy was interrupted, the fundamental rights and freedoms restricted, all legal arrangements concerning the working life were abolished and where unionized rights and freedoms were narrowed.

We are a trade union who is defending democracy, endorse democratic processes until the end, condemn the violence and terrorist attitudes that invite them to structure what is against the country and our nationality. In this sense, our union also supports the fight in this period.”

**“MEMBERS OF THE ICLM AROUND THE WORLD SHOULD NOT BE QUITE TO OPPRESSIONS “**

“All the members of ICLM should not be quiet against any kind of terrorism and should not divide terrorism as yours or ours”There is no guarantee that the odds that happened to others today will not happen to us tomorrow. Because those who embrace the terror should not forget that the serpent will bite at the end whoever embrace it. We have to tell this on every platform, this our duty as ICLM.

**ICLM’S NEW AIM IS TO HAVE PROJECTS FOR A WEEK TO EXPORT THE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCES**

As ICLM we have a project about the role of trade unions in national development. The project is to bring some workers from undeveloped or less developed countries to train them for a week here in Turkey. Especially workers for the municipalities will learn from the experts in Turkey. It is also to fully protect the rights of employees by sharing unionized knowledge and experiences.

“We will continue our fight in the framework of ILO



Kuwait



Latvia



norms and standards in the face of world trade union movements with upholding the right of our employees by standing upright against injustice, We will never act with double standards.” The union we bring here today is an example of international trade unionism and is very positive and promising. The forces that constitute here as architects of reconciliation, even if we come from different religions and different cultures, will hopefully be reflected in the as we will realize them in the future.



**Speaking at the meeting Bem-Bir-Sen Vice President Gürkan Alper said the following;**

“One of the most important social events in the world is the industrial revolution. With the industrial revolution, the establishment of enterprises and trade unions began. The discourse of trade unionism began with the exploitation of labor and man, beginning with the industrial revolution. With the technology revolution, there has been a decline in production, in the in-







dustry, and in recent times, in labor and employment related agriculture. Technology has begun to restrict the time for man-based workforce to mechanize. Now we have to come up with a new international concept. There is a great power in front of us. That is why we have to fight against this power together. We have to fight against Injustice, inequality, exploitation... and so many others that I can not count. Today, immigrants are one of the most unwanted subjects. Because this is seen as unemployment. Terrorism is also one of the problems. The main problem what creates the other problems is the income and social injustice on Earth. In this sense, we need a new rhetoric and a common mind as a union. It is not possible to arrive at one place

only with pure criticism. We must have a new motto. This is one of the reasons for the birth of the ICLM. It is necessary for us to defend the labor exploitation and the agenda in this matter in real terms. We need to use our common sense to produce something. We must take a decisive stance towards the opposite power. We must say that we can do it, we can change it. ICLM is the organization who can say this. We can do something not only for the workers but all the oppressed people in the whole world.

The representatives of trade union representatives from 26 countries evaluated the "Terrorism and the Effects on Employees - The Role of the Union in National Development".



# PRESIDENT MÜRSEL TURBAY VISITED ENGLAND



## **PRESIDENT TURBAY VISITED UK'S BIGGEST FIRE-FIGHTER UNION FBU (FIRE BRIGADES UNION)**

President Turbay had a chance to meet with the officials at the FBU. Secretary of General Matt Wrack, London Region Secretary Paul Embery and the other officials at the headquarters of FBU.

During the meeting President Turbay talked about the activities of ICLM and Bem-Bir-Sen to the British unionists. Discussions were held on the general problems of firefighters. Secretary General Matt Wrack, who provides information on union activities, said that 85 percent of all firemen in Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and England are members of FBU.



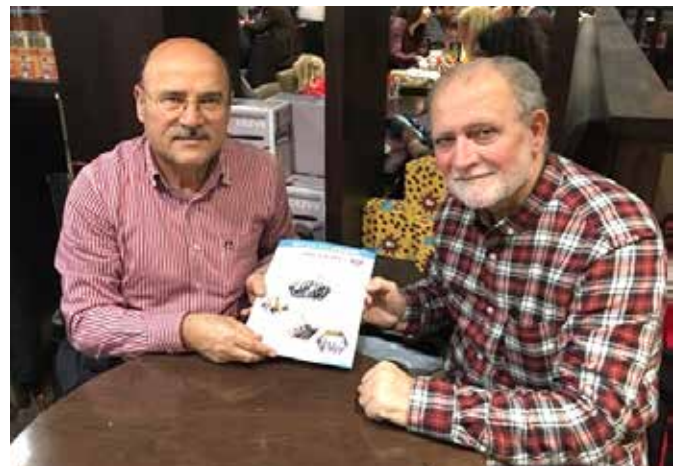
President Mürsel Turbay explained in detail the actions of FETO treachery coup attempt on the July 15 to the British trade unionist. Secretary General Matt Wrack and the London Region Secretary Paul Embery, who couldn't hide their terrified faces, said they were not aware of the coup attempt, only that they were trying to figure out what was happening from the TV channels after the coup attempt.

ICMG (Islamic Community Milli Görüş) England Region was visited by the President...

Mr. Turbay met with the director of ICMG Erol Ozturk and shared some ideas on the mutual problems of the muslim community in western countries.

President Turbay also got together with Dr. Azzam Sultan Tamimi...

AL HIWAR TV Editor-in-Chief, writer and journalist. He commented that Muslims and NGOs need to be interviewed in order to be better.





# ICLM FAMILY CONTINUES GROWTH...



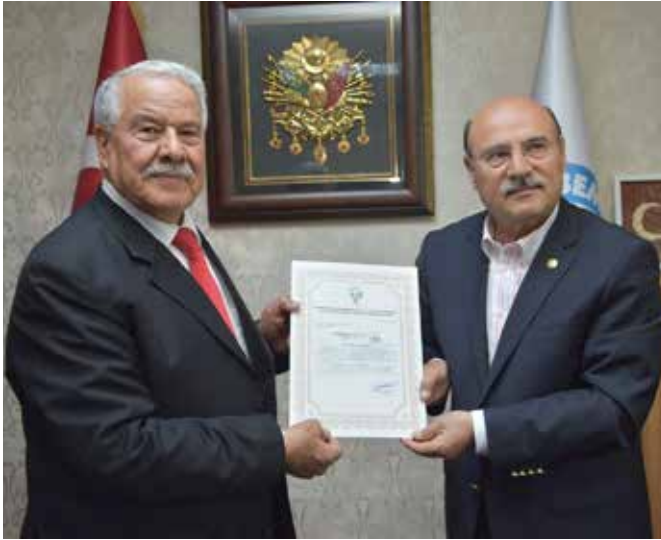
**BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH GENERAL PETROLEUM, MINING AND SIMILAR SUBSTANCES WORKERS UNION IN PALESTINE**

**DELEGATIONS OF GENERAL PETROLEUM, MINING AND SIMILAR SUBSTANCES WORKERS UNION IN PALESTINE VISITED PRESIDENT MÜRSEL TURBAY.**

Bem-Bir-Sen and the ICLM (International Confederation of Labor Movement) Chairman Mursel Turbay signed a bilateral co-operation agreement with the Palestinian Metal Mining Association General President Mohammad Musa Jadallah. During the cooperation agreement ceremony where vice presidents Gürkan Alper and Recayi Karslı have also attended, president Turbay stated that Muslims' voice in the world must be stronger.







### **“Israeli brutality is in every part of our lives”**

Petro-Mining Union Chairman Mohammad Jadallah, who spoke at the visit, pointed out that the Israeli persecution was experienced in all areas of life in Palestine and said, “We are facing Israel’s obstacles in our union work. We are not allowed to have any union meetings. We have to make all our meetings in Jordan and other countries. All these tyrannies will soon be lifted out with the resistance of the Palestinian people. Al-Quds belongs to Muslims, not to murderer Israel.

### **TURKEY IS THE LARGEST SUPPORTER**

As a Palestinian society, Jadallah emphasized that they always saw Turkey with them, he continued as follows: “In our most difficult times, we always found our Turkish brothers beside us. With their material and spiritual support, we are fighting honorably against the invading Israeli state.

### **WE DO NOT WANT TO BE IMPRISONED BY THE EU TRADE UNIONISM**

Jadallah pointed out that the international confederations established in the EU countries acted in ideological and racist approaches, “We are deeply disturbed by the discriminatory and anti-democratic attitudes of the international labor organizations like ITUC. Various decisions are taken with a very narrow cadre of people in the administration and these decisions are usually against the Muslim countries. Their offices in the Middle East are working like spy organizations. As Muslim countries, we have to produce alternatives to such organizations. At this point, I believe the ICLM carries a very important mission. For this reason, we are very pleased to be a member of the ICLM.



### **WE WOULD LIKE TO BENEFIT FROM TURKEY’S UNIONISM EXPERIENCE**

Jadallah also stressed that they will make an effort to include the unions in the African Union countries, which are in their effective areas, in the ICLM, said: “We want to benefit from the trade union experiences of Turkey. In this sense, taking part in the ICLM framework will give us strength and experience.

### **TURBAY: “WE MUST BECOME AN ARBITER IN EVERY FIELD”**

Bem-Bir-Sen and ICLM president Mursel Turbay stated that their targets should have a stronger voice in the world for Muslims and oppressed people. Turbay pointed out that the NGOs are in front of the governments all over the world. But unfortunately, these NGOs have always thought of themselves and ignored the oppressed and Muslims. We have established ICLM against all kind of discriminations. We are always against racist and religious discrimination. Let’s be together, let’s be stronger, with our differences, with more constructive structure.





# BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH THE PAKISTANI JOURNALIST FEDERATION



Pakistan Municipal Employees' Union (CDA Mazdoor) and the Journalists' Federation (PFUJ) Representatives, visited Bem-Bir-Sen and International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM).

President Mürsel Turbay and Vice presidents Gürkan Alper and Recayi Karsli, Afzal Butt, Chairman of the Pakistani Journalists Federation (PFUJ), Muhammad Yaseen Chaudhary, Chairman of the CDA Mazdoo Union (Municipal Employees' Union), Deputy Chairman Mahmood Ali, External Relations Consultant Zubair Ahmed Khan came together.







Bem-Bir-Sen and ICLM Chairman Mürsel Turbay signed a bilateral co-operation agreement with Pfuj President Afzal Butt. Throw-in signatures were also followed by live broadcasts from Pakistan via social media. Speaking at the signing ceremony, Chairman Mursel Turbay stated that Muslims should have their targets more strongly in the world.

ICLM president Mursel Turbay said, "I am very happy that the largest journalist union of Pakistan has joined the ICLM. We will be there to share our trade union experiences in Turkey with our Pakistani colleagues and



take a stronger position in the struggles for rights and labor.

#### **WE WOULD LIKE TO BENEFIT FROM TURKEY'S UNIONISM EXPERIENCE**

Pakistani Journalists Federation (PFUJ) President Afzal Butt said: "We want to benefit from the trade union experiences of Turkey. We see that Turkey, which has increased its influence politically, has made serious strides in the trade union struggle. In this sense, taking part in the ICLM framework will give us strength and experience.





# INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM HELD IN İSTANBUL POWERED BY MEMUR-SEN AND SESRIC...

## “TRADE UNIONISM IN THE ISLAMIC WORLD”

ICLM and its members have attended to “INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON TRADE UNIONISM IN THE ISLAMIC WORLD”...

116 unionists from 58 countries have also attended to the symposium. During the symposium president Mürsel Turbay and vice presidents Levent Uslu and Gürkan Alper met with unionist from various countries. ICLM members; BEM-BİR-SEN from Turkey, SOCOTU from Somalia, BSPSH from Albania, BSPK from Kosovo, CSA from Senegal, CNTM from MAURITANIE, ALL-RUSSIAN STATE AND MUNICIPAL WORKERS AND PUBLIC SERVICES UNION from Russia and WORKERS’ HOUSE OF IRAN from THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN were also present at the symposium. Unionism

problems in Islamic countries have been discussed.

Prime Minister of Turkey Binali Yıldırım accepted the representatives of international unionists.

Deputy Prime Minister Nurettin Canikli, Memur-Sen President Ali Yalcin, Hak-İş President Mahmut Arslan, SESRIC Director-General, Ambassador Musa Kulaklıkaya, over 120 unionists from 58 countries, ICLM president Mürsel Turbay, vice presidents Levent Uslu and Gürkan Alper met with the Prime Minister.

## “They had poured bullets to our citizens.”

PM Binali Yıldırım said the followings in his speech; “I’m just wondering how Turkey look from outside, I mean







from your countries, from your point of view and what did you see when you came to Turkey? This is really important. We all know that there are some people, FETÖ members are trying to make the Turkey look bad. Especially some international presses are conducting a Perception management on Turkey to say that there is no law in Turkey, there is no stability, and there is war. This just wrong... Turkey doesn't deserve this Perception management. The main resource of black propaganda is known by all... FETÖ terrorist organization is the main resource...

### **“Turkish nation put up an epic resistance against the coup attempt”**

PM Binali Yıldırım stated that Turkish Nation put up an



epic resistance against this coup attempt by FETÖ terrorist organization.

President Turbay exchange ideas on unionism with international guests. He gave information about International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM) to international unionists. Mr. Turbay also talked about the activities of ICLM and Bm-Bir-Sen and he add that their aim is to become the voice of trade unions on a global scale.

President Mürsel Turbay gave the membership certificate to the unions who joined ICLM last year such as; SOCOTU from Somalia, BSPSH from Albania, BSPK from Kosovo, CSA from Senegal, CNTM from MAURITANIE, ALL-RUSSIAN STATE AND MUNICIPAL WORKERS AND PUBLIC SERVICES UNION from Russia and WORKERS' HOUSE OF IRAN from THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN.



# USLU: IMPERIALISM CAN ONLY BE DESTROYED BY SOLIDARITY



Levent Uslu, Vice President of ICLM, BEM-BİR-SEN and Memur-Sen, attended the Symposium on “Press and Information Power is Over the Weapon Power” organized by the International Confederation of Arab Trade Unions (ICATU) held in Baghdad, Iraq, where he spoke to the labourers of the Arab World. Uslu; “Labour movements, has very large functions and there is no nation, religion and sect of tears and sweats.

Mr. Uslu attended the Symposium on “Press and Information Power is Over the Weapon Power” organized by the International Confederation of Arab Trade Unions (ICATU) held in Baghdad, Iraq and delivered his speech.

Uslu, who addressed the leading union representatives of the Arab world, said, “We must fight in unity as all labour movements, with the terror that Zionism feeds and transforms our territory into a circle of fire.”

Indicating that the media has become a tool used to terrorize the region, Uslu said, “The dominant language of the media is determined by the imperialists. We must acknowledge the fact that we immediately evaluate the events that are taking place in front of us according to the language of the media. This attitude is going to a very different place.

Underlining that the Middle East and Islamic geography are used as a laboratory, Uslu said, “Our region was used as a kind of laboratory, violence lab. But this derives from our weakness and absence of solidarity soul. Why does the imperialist system easily make such a plan with our societies?”

Uslu, referring to the call of ‘human diplomacy’ “Imperialism creates the domain of power over conflicts. We have produced the concept of human diplomacy to overthrow imperialism and overcome the cycle of violence. It’s a message to all the good people of the world. Labour movements have very large functions at this point. There is surely no nation, religion and sect of tears and sweats. Therefore, imperialism can only be destroyed by solidarity.”

Uslu, who addressed the leading union representatives of the Arab world, also said, “We must fight in unity as all labour movements, with the terror that Zionism feeds and transforms our territory into a circle of fire.”

Following the speech, Uslu gave a plaque to the Vice President of Iraq, Nuri al-Maliki, the secretary-general of ICATU Ghassan Ghosn, the president of GFIW Sattar Dunops Barrak, the president of FAJ Müeyyed el-Lami.





# USLU CALLS FOR BUILDING A FAIR SYSTEM



Vice President Levent Uslu participated in a regional seminar organized by Independent and Autonomous Unions of Macedonia (UNASM) entitled “Violence at Workplace: What is the Role of the trade unions to deal with this phenomenon.”

Speaking at a seminar in Macedonia on “Violence at workplace –loss of the worker’s honour with a special emphasis of the woman worker as a victim of aggression at the workplace. What is the role of trade unions to deal with this phenomeon” Vice-President Levent Uslu said that “We as labourers do not accept the role that the capitalists have given us. We do not want to deal with the structure of the hegemons. We want to establish a system that will reflect the common will of all of us, a fair

system. We altogether will do this with solidarity, justice and humanity.

In his speech Levent Uslu, stated that the problems related to working life should be assessed at structural level. He also added that we can change the understanding about violence at workplace by sort of seminars and similar meetings in the framework of solidarity .We have the will to create the decent work and workplace for all. We have to work together to find solutions that create and maintain safe and healthy workplaces.” he said. uslumakedonya1

Uslu later on conducted bilateral meetings with the EZA Secretary-General, UNASM, BSPSH, BSPK, CATUS, SSCG and NEZAVISNOT Confederations.uslumakedonya2



# ICLM VISITED PAKISTAN...



## PAKISTAN LABOUR FEDERATION (PLF) BECAME A MEMBER OF ICLM

President Turbay and the vice president Karsli have visited Pakistan as the main guests of PLF.

At the Lahore Airport, the ICLM delegation met with a welcome ceremony organized by Pakistan Labour Federation Chairman Asif F. Verdag, Secretary General Haji Muhammed Saeed Arian, Board Member Atia Saleem and members of the federation. With 700,000-members Pakistan Labour Federation (PLF) received a membership certificate for the International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM).

## INTENSE INTEREST IN THE GLOBALIZATION AND PRIVATIZATION SYMPOSIUM

The interest and participation were intense for the

international symposium on “Globalization and Privatization”, organized by the Pakistan Labour Federation for the honoring ICLM Delegation. More than 200 officials from all the provinces of Pakistan participated in the symposium to share views on the quest for labour rights in a globalized world. In the symposium attended by ILO Pakistan Director Ingrid Christensen, Turkey- Pakistan friendship was mentioned with praise.

### “TWO STATES ONE NATION”

Bem-Bir-Sen and ICLM president Mursel Turbay, who spoke as honorary guest of the symposium, expressed satisfaction with being a brother country with Pakistan and said, “We are two states but one nation. We have not forgotten our brothers who sent their gold to us during the War of Independence. We can never forget our



Pakistani brothers, who were praying for us on July 15, and who send messages of support to Turkey by filling Pakistani squares. “

### “WORKING LIFE SHOULD NOT BE MODERN SLAVERY”

Turbay pointed out that the International Confederation Labour Movement (ICLM) is on its way to becoming a global trade union movement under the leadership of Bem-Bir-Sen. “There are three basic tenets of the trade union movement. First tenets; Labour, bread and economy. Second tenets; Democracy, freedom and human dignity. The third tenets is national and international justice. The power of global capital has weakened labour. Employees are in difficult situations. Subcontracting and privatization are the diseases of our age. The agreements encourage modern slavery. Employees must receive a wage to live humanely. Wage inequality between male and female workers should be eliminated. All the wars in the world are happens because out of injustice. What did international organizations do? Instead of producing solutions to these problems, they have added new problems. These organizations should set new strategies. New approaches to working and fair sharing policies should be brought up.”

### “WE HAVE NEED FOR QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES”

Noting that trade unions should not be used as a threat in the business world, Turbay continued: “We must strengthen our social partnership in all areas of life. The union should assume the role of employee rights and social adulterate arbiter; There must be a bridge of dialogue between workers, employers and the state. We have to increase the social education activities and train people in every field, to create a production-oriented positive economic life, where the labor costs can be fully recovered.



### TERRORISM IS THE ENEMY OF HUMANITY

Turkey is also getting affected by terrorism and hosting almost 4 million refugees. We need to produce permanent solutions so that Aylan babies would not hit the beach again. Every day hundreds of our brothers and sisters die in Palestine, Syria, Iraq and many Muslim countries. Terrorism is the enemy of peace, brotherhood, development, living together. Our union, our vigilance, our peace movement, being the Millet-i Abraham will be our formation, “he spoke.

### PLF has received the ICLM membership certificate...

Following the conversations, president Turbay and Vice-president Karsli presented the membership certificate to the Pakistan Labour Federation (PLF), who participated in the International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM).

Turbay and Karsli also gave certificates to the members who attended the symposium.





# PRESIDENT OF ICLM MÜRSEL TURBAY:

“THE NEW SYSTEM WILL  
ENLIGHTEN THE NATION”,  
“DEMOCRATIC LEGITIMACY  
HAS EXPANDED”



President of the Trade Union of Municipal and Private Administration Employees Solidarity (Bem-Bir-Sen) and International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM) Mürsel Turbay assessed the results of the public vote on April 16th: In his evaluation of Turbay, “With a participation of over 85% Reflecting a considerable democratic process with a great deal of dignity and maturity. We re-

gard the result of the referendum as a demonstration of unity and togetherness of our nation. We believe that the new government system that our nation has endorsed will launch a new era that will expand democratic legitimacy, consolidate the separation of powers, and stabilize it at the point of development and economic growth. We hope it will be good for the nation. “

## **RESULT: OUR NATION MUST UNITE NOT DECOMPOSED**

Indicating that the elections in democracies should be evaluated as a national service race, Turbay said, “Democratic elections should not be evaluated as a football match. To ensure that the results of the referendum are received in maturity by all political parties and also the election must be accepted in the same way that respects for the national will. Making the democratic race a reason for dissolution and polarization, seeing the nation as an excuse for disrupting some of the initiatives is first of all disrespect to the nation. Referendum results should be considered as The reason for common sense a sign of our union and our brotherhood. “

## **“DEMOCRATIC LEGITIMACY HAS EXPANDED”**

Recalling that the party leaders who received 18 percent of the vote in the previous period, ruled the country as the Prime Minister, according to the structure of the parliamentary system, Turbay continued: “We have had periods of Prime Ministers with very small voting ratios during



the coalition era. From now on, it is necessary to get more than half of the votes in order to come to power in the Presidential government system that our nation approved. Therefore, the democratic legitimacy of the new system has widened and the nation's will has been pushed into power in a broader sense. In this new process, those who aspire to power will need to create a more compromising, more inclusive policy to get approval from the larger part of society. In this sense, there is no doubt that the new system leans more strongly toward the will of the nation. “

#### IT IS TIME TO FOCUS ON STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT

Indicating that Turkey has entered a new era with the 16 April referendum, Turbay said, “The new era should now focus on the economic development and stable growth issues of the country, leaving the barbarous debates and political contests on the edge. We have to initiate a process in which the labor of the emancipation is given, the plantation of the nation is enlarged, and the intensive efforts are being made to increase production and prosperity. In the new era, our nation is expecting from the political par-

ties; To solve the problem of unemployment, to improve the rights of the employees, to produce projects that will increase the social peace and prosperity. “

#### TURKEY MUST BE STRONG AGAINST EXTERNAL THREAT

Reminding that many countries, especially the EU countries, are involved in anti-Turkish rhetoric and action throughout the referendum process, Turbay concluded: “Turkey's decision to change the system has been the clearest message to many countries that are troubled by Turkey's growth and development. So-called friendly and allied countries, who try to strike Turkey with terrorist organizations and feed them, will now have to be more careful and attentive in their relations with our country. While the decision of our nation made the whole nation happy especially the friendly and brotherly countries, but made the enemies whose policies are racist and anti-Muslim drowned in blood and tears. Our country must stand strong and firm in unity and solidarity against all external threats. I wish the results of the Referendum to be once again beneficial to the nation. “

## BEM-BİR-SEN DELEGATION ATTENDED THE MEETING OF CESI IN BRUSSELS

President Mursel Turbay, Antalya Branch President Adem Deveci and Çorum Branch President Burhan Şahin participated in the CESI European Academy and CESI Presidents' Council Meeting held on 22 June in Brussels, at the headquarters of Confederation of Independent European Trade Unions (CESI).

Decisions taken at CESI Presidents' Council meetings were evaluated before the meetings. The delegations and the activities to be carried out on the European academy established in CESI were discussed. Mursel Turbay, Antalya Branch Chairman Adem Deveci and Çorum Branch Chairman Burhan Şahin, CESI Chairman Romain Wolff and CESI Secretary General Klaus Heeger came together. Evaluations were made on the working life.



# PRESIDENT MÜRSEL TURBAY IS IN THE USA...



Mürsel Turbay met with trade unions and non-governmental organizations in the United States.

Turbay met with Ertan Yalçın, Consulate General of the Republic of Turkey in New York. Mürsel Turbay informed Yalçın about the union activities.

Consul General Ertan Yalçın expressed his satisfaction with the visit and wishes Bem-Bir-Sen to succeed in his work.

Mürsel Turbay met with representatives of trade union representatives and non-governmental organizations in the USA. They were working on bilateral cooperation in the negotiations.

Mürsel Turbay, who also participated in the "Turkish Day" events held in New York, met with Turkish citizens who were longing for Turkey and visited the tents of the NGOs.



## **Bem-Bir-Sen is on the way to United Nations...**

Bem-Bir-Sen has been submitted to the Consultative Status for UN ECOSOC. President Turbay also visited UN NGO Branch ECOSOC. Turbay met with Diego Rumiany at the UN Headquarters. President Turbay gave details about the activities of Bem-Bir-Sen and ICLM. Turbay also explained why Bem-Bir-Sen should be accepted for the Consultative Status. Diego Rumiany said that he is so impressed by what he heard about the activities of Bem-Bir-Sen. He said that he is confident about Bem-Bir-Sen acceptance.





# BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH KAZAKHSTAN AHMET YESEVI UNIVERSITY...



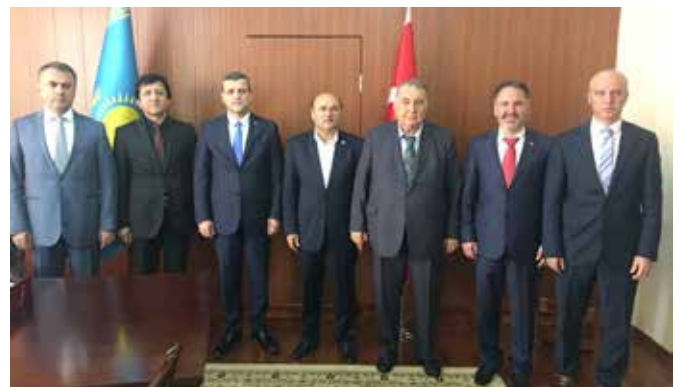
Bem-Bir-Sen and ICLM President Mürsel Turbay and Vice President Gürkan Alper and Recayi Karslı went to Kazakhstan as an invitation to Hoca Ahmet Yesevi Türk Kazak University.

Hoca Ahmet Yesevi President of the Board of Trustees of the Turkish Kazak University Prof. Dr. Musa Yıldız, Deputy Rector Prof. Dr. Mehmet Kutalmış, Dean Professor Dr. Mehmet Toplu, Deputy Dean Assoc. Dr. Bilateral talks were held with Mustafa Eren. Following the talks, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Prof. Dr. Musa Yıldız and Bem-Bir-Sen Chairman Mursel Turbay signed bilateral cooperation protocols.

The negotiations were consulted to see what could be done to ensure that our members and their relatives had a solid foundation in their academic life (undergraduate and graduate). In order to benefit from the distance education competence of Hoca Ahmet Yesevi Türk Kazak University in the context of these negotiations, it was decided to work for the determination of the areas.



The scope of the protocol includes mutual cooperation in the academic area, creation of joint projects in this framework, arrangement of symposiums, provision of student support and academic and social activities. The symposium was awarded to the academicians presenting the paper and the academicians participating in the seminar. Students who graduated from the competition among university students were also awarded prizes.





# ICLM ATTENDED TO A SYMPOSIUM IN MADRID



**ICLM VICE PRESIDENTS MEDENI SEVINÇ AND RE-CAYI KARSLI HAVE ATTENDED TO SYMPOSIUM IN MADRID.**

The subject was “Responsible players in the implementation of the occupational safety and health (OSH) policy in the public sector in Europe: Managers, trade unions, safety reps”. More than 130 participants came together in Madrid to discuss and recommend best practices for efficiently implementing and enforcing OSH policies and regulatory frameworks in the public sector, particularly highlighting the role of managers, trade unions and safety reps.

During the event it emerged that the public sector is very often the first sector to be hit by restructuring and that this usually means more work to be done by less personnel – while expectations addressed to the public

sector and its workers are permanently increasing. This leads to problems related to health and safety at work, it was said.

Participants and speakers also underlined that new technologies lead to a “dematerialisation of the office life”, which translates into a change of working time patterns, work organisation and work rhythms. It was highlighted that these new working rhythms -but also the use of the new mobile work devices- can have a profound impact on health and safety.

During the symposium Mr. Sevinç said the followings in his statement; “The numbers relating to workplace risk are shocking. 3,515 people died in reported accidents at work in the EU in 2012 – the last time the EU collected such data. One hundred thousand people die every year in the EU from work-related cancers. Firefighters are just one group of workers exposed to materials that cause cancers. Sadly, the EU has done disappointingly little in recent years to strengthen the protection of workers from workplace diseases and in-







juries. Despite the fact that the creation of new technologies and innovation in the workplace have led to a rise in the number of risks for workers and that previously unknown risks have been identified.”

**MR. KARSLI ALSO MADE A SPEECH ABOUT THE OSH IMPLEMENTATIONS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR IN TURKEY.**

The implementation of binding occupational exposure limits for at least 50 cancer-causing substances in 2016 instead of waiting until 2020. Since October 2013 the Commission has suspended a Directive on exposure to Carcinogens and Mutagens in the workplace in the name of “Better Regulation”, during which time estimated that 150,000 workers have died. Limits are currently in place for only five such substances.

Putting forward new regulations to deal with nanoparticles, psycho-social risks and neck back and elbow pain.

Like other public services, labor inspectorates have suffered the austerity measures and budget cuts weep-

ing through Europe. Reducing the number of inspectors reduces the number of visits that can be paid to workplaces. It weakens enforcing compliance with health and safety regulation in the workplace and gives employers an easy ride. We need an end to austerity in order to stop this from happening and protect workers’ lives.





# OUR VICE PRESIDENTS MEDENİ SEVİNÇ AND RECAYİ KARSLI ARE AT ILO MEETING

Bem-Bir-Sen took place in the 106<sup>th</sup> of ILO Conference in Geneva which is organized with mass participation of member countries of International Labor Organization (ILO). Representatives of governments, employees and employers were present at the conferences which are organized by International Labor Organization (ILO) every year and over a thousand participants from more than 187 countries which are ILO members take place. The 106th session of International Labor Conference took place in Geneva, Switzerland on 5-16 June.





Our Bem-Bir-Sen Vice Presidents Medeni Sevinç and Recayi Karslı ensured one-to-one contact with all member countries at the conferences which are organized with the aim of improving bilateral cooperation of member countries and providing knowledge accumulation. Throughout the meetings, they met with the foreign representatives and exchanged ideas about work life. In the conference, in which important agenda items were discussed, work related subjects were addressed by ILO member countries, transition from unrecorded economy to recorded economy was highlighted and opinions about the necessity of humane working conditions were expressed.

Among with ILO's administrative agenda, worldwide working conditions and work-life problems were addressed. Debate topics specific to this year included titles such as "labor migration", "working conditions in war and conflict zones" and "working conditions of female laborers". As part of World Day Against Child Labor, which



is held on June 12 every year, a special event called "Protecting Children in Crisis and Disaster" was organized. Also, our Bem-Bir-Sen Vice Presidents Medeni Sevinç and Recayi Karslı followed the session called "Future of Women in Work Life", which hosted the presentations of President of Malta Marie Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Mauritius Ameenah Gurib Fakim, President of Nepal Bidya Bhandari, as part of World Work Summit.

## ANNEMASSE MUNICIPALITY OF FRANCE HAS BEEN VISITED



Our Vice Presidents Medeni Sevinç and Recayi Karslı, who went to Geneva to participate in 106<sup>th</sup> meeting of International Labor Organization (ILO), have visited non-governmental organizations and Annemasse Municipality of France.

Our Vice Presidents Sevinç and Karslı, have met with the Mayor Christian Dupessay in the visit. In the meeting, in which the Branch President of French Alps region of National Vision Movement Alparslan Ekici was also present,

Mayor Dupessay has been informed about Bem-Bir-Sen (Municipality and Private Government Employees Trade Union). It has been highlighted that International Confederation of Labor Movement of Bem-Bir-Sen has been carrying out important work in international unionism.

Our Vice Presidents Sevinç and Karslı thanked to Mayor Christian Dupessay for the permission of National Vision Mosque, which is going to be built within the borders of Annemasse Municipality, also for the freedom of religion and conscience.

### WE MET WITH THE MEMBERS OF NATIONAL VISION MOVEMENT AT IFTAR AND SAHUR

Our Vice Presidents Medeni Sevinç and Recayi Karslı, met with the members of Islamic Society National Vision Movement, which operates in French Alps region, at iftar and sahur.

Our Vice Presidents Medeni Sevinç and Recayi Karslı, who talked with the Muslims and Turks who came to iftar and sahur, thanked to Branch President of Annemasse National Vision Movement of French Alps Alparslan Ekici and members of the movement for their works.

# 1<sup>ST</sup> OF MAY LABOUR AND SOLIDARITY DAY WAS CELEBRATED WITH ENTHUSIASM IN KÜTAHYA...



## TENS OF THOUSAND PEOPLE CELEBRATED MAY DAY...

May 1 Labour and Solidarity Day was celebrated for labour, peace, freedom and democracy in the city of KÜTAHYA.

May 1 celebrations began with the recitation of Holy Quran and prayers were made. Folk dances accompanied by drums and flutes, folk songs with square with banners in their hands, workers, civil servants, Non-Governmental Organizations colored the field.







President Mursel Turbay, Vice-Presidents Gürkan Alper and Levent Uslu have also attended to May Day Rally.

Many have attended from different cities like; Eskişehir, Bilecik, Afyon, Balıkesir, Bursa, Manisa, Uşak, Antalya, Aydın, Bolu, Denizli, İstanbul, İzmir, Kocaeli, Sakarya, Kayseri, Yalova, Uşak

BSPSH from Albania has also attended to May Day rally. BSPSH president Gezim Kalaja and Foreign Affairs Experts from various countries were also on stage together with Memur-Sen president and all the other trade union presidents.







# PRESIDENT TURBAY WAS IN S.AFRICA AS AN HONOR GUEST OF NEHAWU



Mursel Turbay participated in the 11th congress and the 30th anniversary celebrations held on June 28th of NEHAWU, the largest trade union of Republic of South Africa with the members of 270,000. Niger, Nigeria, Palestine, Greece, Portugal, Mozambique, Zambia and Western Sahara participated in the event, Turbay stressed that the issue of regional peace and world peace could not be discussed unless the Palestinian issue had been resolved.

**THE WORLD PEACE WILL NOT COME UNLESS THE PALESTINIAN PROBLEM HAS BEEN SOLVED**

Turbay pointed out that world countries should give more effective responses to the persecution and slaughter that Israel imposed. "No Palestinian problem under







Israeli oppression nor any other problem can be solved as long as there are cowardly and heartless NGOs in the world. Countries can pursue profitable policies in this regard due to their interests, but Israeli persecution can be prevented with effective campaigns by non-governmental organizations. The cries of innocent babies murdered in Palestine will continue to hurt all of us conscience, unless Israeli's preoccupation with international law is hampered by political and legal sanctions. It will not make sense to talk about world peace without attaining an independent state. In this regard, Turkey has been showing the clearest policy for many years. We are expecting the same determined attitude in the Palestinian affairs from friends and sister countries."

**WE HAVE TO PUT AN END TO ITUC MONARCHY**

Turbay emphasizes that the ITUC is a structure that takes political decisions rather than the employee's rights. "We must put an end to the efficiency of the ITUC, which



has transformed the trade union struggle into a monarchical caste system. In this regard, we should go to a big formation that emphasizes the rights and labor struggle mainly focusing on Africa, Asia and the Middle East. This is the reason why We established International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM). We need to spread the union struggle around the world in a libertarian line based on the struggle for rights and labor independent of political powers. As we gain goals in the struggle for rights and labor as a great community, we will also make important contributions to world and regional peace. We want to see NEHAWU, the largest union of the Republic of South Africa, under the roof of the ICLM. I congratulate Nehawu's anniversary. I am sending my wishes to my friend Mzwandile Makwayiba who has been elected to the presidency by winning the congressional election."





“THE POWER WHAT WILL  
RULE THE WORLD IN THE  
FUTURE WILL BE THE  
POWER OF CIVIL SOCIETY”

## TRADE UNION REPRESENTATIVES FROM 25 COUNTRIES VISITED OUR HEADQUARTERS



**Members of the Foreign Relations Commission of Trade Union Confederations from 25 countries who participated in the “International Unionism and Social Policy Certificate Program” in Turkey visited Bem-Bir-Sen Headquarters.**

Those attended to the program in Turkey under the leadership of Memur-Sen, SESRIC and TODAİE, from Afghanistan Mustafa Danish from the NUAWU union, Eni

Bushi from the Albanian BSPSH union, Rownak Afza from the BMSF union in Bangladesh, Soule Abdou Semihou from the Benin CGTB union, Brahim Sombie from the Burkina Faso CSB union, Irvan Tengkuharja from the Indonesian KSPI union, Franck Desire Koudou from the Ghana GTUC union Afotey Mensah, Guinea CNTG union Mamadou Djan Diallo, Cameroon Germaine Sandrie Diboti from CSTC union Leemu Olivia Mckay from



Liberia LLC Rachael Limbe from Malawi MCTU union Nyamdavaa Mangaljav from Mongolian CMTU union Ismail El Ghazaly from Mauritania CNTM union Bholanath Jeewuth, Niger from Mauritius MLC union CDTN union Mahamadou Lihida M, Pakistan PLF union Usman Aslan, Pakistan APLF union Syed Muhammad Asif, Rwanda CESTRAR union Salima Mukarugagi, Senegal CSA union Fatou Diouf, Somali SOCOTU union Issa Abshir, Sudan SWTUF send Khalid Mohammed, Ahmed Mohammed, Tanzania TUCTA, Noel Lotary Nchimbi, Uganda NOTU Union Emmanuel Bigirimana have visited BEM-BIR-SEN and ICLM.

President Mürsel Turbay and Vice Presidents Gürkan Alper and Recayi Karslı met with international trade union representatives.

President Mürsel Turbay, who shared the trade union experience with the members of the international relations commission of the trade union confederations and gave information about the national and international work of BEM-BIR-SEN and ICLM.

He emphasized that Bem-Bir-Sen is the most experienced international trade union of Turkey in terms of trade unionism. “We have been conducting trade union activities in international arenas for 10 years. We have concluded a trade union bilateral cooperation agreement with close to 60 countries. As a result, we have achieved an important breakthrough by establishing the International Confederation of Labour Movement “.

President Mursel Turbay, who expressed their intention to exchange information and experiences between coun-





tries, “We care about the ICLM to be an important power in the world. The power to govern the world in the future will not be the power of weapons but the power of civil society. The most important elements that need to be taken into consideration when establishing non-governmental organizations should be seen as equal, without any distinction, regardless of language, religion, race or ethnicity.”

The international NGOs established by Western powers today are in activities to disturb Muslims, drawing attention to the fact that they are doing intelligence work in Muslim countries. The International Labor Movement Confederation (ICLM), which was established under the leadership of BEM-BİR-SEN, is carrying out studies to en-

sure that oppressed nations and Muslims are strong voices. We must be strong enough to lift the double standard of the western world. By joining forces, we create an important public opinion in the world. The terrorism that the West has revealed is hypocrisy of thought. “Mujahideen, Islamic terror” statements are used for every terrorist event. This is unacceptable. Because terror does not have a religion such as Islam, Christian, Jewish, Buddhist-Terrorism is terrorism. unacceptable wherever it comes from, “he said.

Mursel Turbay answered the questions of trade union representatives after his speech. Turbay has presented gifts to his guests in memory of their visit.





# VICE PRESIDENT MEDENI SEVİNÇ IN RUSSIA...



Our Vice President Medeni Sevinç, Samsun Branch president Nurettin Sever, Balıkesir Branch president Cenk Davulcu and İstanbul İETT Branch president Yakup Gündoğdu visited Russia as the guests of All-Russia State and Public Service Employees' Union.

## **Russian Federation Republic of Bashkortostan Minister of Labour and Social Security has been visited...**

Visits of the Bem-Bir-Sen Delegation in Russia met with the Minister of Labor and Social Security of the Republic of Bashkortostan Lenara Ivanova.

Rashit Harrasov, Head of the Bashkortostan Branch of



the All-Russian Public Employees 'Union, Morat Khusainov, Head of Confederation, Elena Darmenko, External Relations Officer of all Russian Public Employees' Union, and the union delegation were also present. There were evaluations of working life in Turkey and in Bashkortostan.

The Minister of Labor and Social Security of the Republic of Bashkortostan Lenara Ivanova expressed satisfaction with the visit and gave information on Bashkortostan's working life issues. Minister Ivanova stated that the total population is 4 million and half of the working age, and that the unemployment rate is 5.5%.





Rashid Harrasov, President of the Union of Public Employees of the Russian Federation, announced on July 15th his sadness about the coup attempt in Turkey, "Russia's intelligence on the terrorist organization has determined its links with the US and ended all its activities in Russia. This organization, which wanted to divide our friendship with Turkey, could not reach its purpose on 15 July and afterwards".

"We are very happy to be here with you," said Vice-Chairman Medeni Sevinç, who gave information about the International Confederation of Labour Movement (ICLM), which was established under the leadership of Bem-Bir-Sen. "I express my gratitude to Mr. Rashid Harrasov for having us here. The ICLM will bring a new perspective to the world trade unionism with the understanding of unifying. We can see 130 different nations living together in peace with the information that we have observed and received from you. You are the best example to the world. You have done the same thing which our ancestors Ottoman Empire have done for 600 years. Trade unions play a big role in this unity. I thank you for the sensitivity that your union has shown in these issues. "



Sevinç emphasized that the heroic resistance of the Turkish people regarding the treacherous coup attempt on July 15 in our country is important for Turkey. "On July 15, the subcontractor terrorist organization aimed to bring chaos to our country, but in spite of this, the best answer was given by our nation. We have shown our reaction as Turkey's largest NGO. We, as an NGO, have not only the rights of employees but also a number of responsibilities at the point of social responsibility. We as BEM-BİR-SEN



know this responsibility very well and we are fighting for it. For example, while we are here, there is a rally in Istanbul aimed at protesting the relentless stance of Israel against the Palestinian people. BEM-BİR-SEN family is at the forefront in this rally with social responsibility consciousness. "Following the visit, the visit was completed with mutual gifts and family photo shoots.

**A BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH ALL RUSSIAN PUBLIC WORKERS TRADE UNION BASHKORDISTAN BRANCH**

The Bem-Bir-Sen Delegation signed a bilateral co-operation agreement with the All-Russian Public Workers'





Union of Bashkortostan after the meeting with Minister of Labor and Social Security Lenara Ivanova of the Republic of Bashkortostan.

Vice-Chairman Medeni Sevinç and the Russian Federation of Public Employees Bashkortostan President Rashid Harrasov has signed a bilateral co-operation agreement covering training co-operation, working life and exchange of experience in trade union issues.

Following the signatures, Rashit Harrasov, President of the Bashkortostan Union of All Public Employees of the Russian Federation, with Medeni Sevinç, expressed that the ties of the two unions would be stronger.

#### UFA MUNICIPALITY HAVE BEEN VISITED

The Bem-Bir-Sen Delegation met with Ufa Metropolitan Mayor Rustem Faritovich Gazizov in Ufa, the capital of the Republic of Bashkortostan.

Speaking about Ufa city, Mayor Gazizov expressed their happiness to see the Bem-Bir-Sen Delegation in their cities and stated that Ufa is a sister city with Ankara and Kecioren Municipality.

Vice president Medeni Sevinç congratulated Mayor Rustem Faritovich for his successful service. "Ufa's city



planning is very smooth and moderating," said he.

Vice President Medeni Sevinç, Samsun Branch President Nurettin Sever, Balikesir Branch President Cenk Davulcu and Branch No.3 (IETT) Branch President Yakup Gündoğdu visited the General Headquarters of all Russian Public Employees' Union.

The Vice-Presidents of the All-Russian Public Employees' Union. T. Shestakova, O. Shelobanova, G. Danilova, and Elena Darmenko, External Relations Officer, hosted the BEM-BIR-SEN Delegation, Union structure, organization, member fees etc. mutual information Were given . Speaking on behalf of Bem-Bir-Sen Vice President Medeni Sevinç informed the Russian colleagues about the union structure in Turkey, unionization in Turkey and ICLM activities. The interview ended with the reciprocal gifts being given.

#### Müfti of Ufa and Bashkordistan have been visited.

BEM-BIR-SEN Delegation Following the trade union talks, Ufa Central Mosque Imam and Deputy Mufti Ahmed Ahmirov and Başkurdistan Chief Muftis Nigmatullin Nurmuhammed were visited within the scope of Russian contacts.





# LVIPUFDA... ONE OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF ICLM...

During this year LVIPUFDA had about 50 cases, when trade union helped to the members resolve the work conflicts.

15 cases are in the court. Half of them are wonned up! Other half is in the progress.

LVIPUFDA organised a special sport event for 2 days for our members from all Latvia with the trade union guests from Russia.

Also LVIPUFDA have a new tradition and each winter we organise "Vienna Ball" before Christmas for the best trade union members, where we honour our best leaders and organisations.

LVIPUFDA organise the touristic trips for our members to other countries with the great discount.

LVIPUFDA were in Georgia this summer and signed the document of cooperation with the Georgian trade union.

LVIPUFDA might be a small trade union, if we compare with the other countries, but our trade union members



count is growing up each month, because we work correctly and professionally.

The people in Latvia knows us well.

We fight against inequity and the truth and law always is on our side.





# PAKISTAN LABOUR FEDERATION (PLF) PROTESTS RALLY ON THE KILLING OF INNOCENT MUSLIMS IN BURMA...

In solidarity with the Muslim minority, a large number of Trade Unions leaders marched from the Office of the Railway Workers Union CBA towards the Lahore Press Club. Pakistan Labour Federation (PLF) Founder/Secretary General demanded the United Nations Secretary-General Mr. Antonio Guterres to play his role to protect the precious lives of innocent Muslims in Burma and make assure the security, and to stop the violation of human rights situation in Myanmar's. He said that victimization is facing the 80% women and children. He said that The military beat women very badly and asking, 'Where are the guns that were taken from our barracks? Tell us or we will rape you and kill you'. He said that the human lives that are most vulnerable must be rescued immediately without delay. He said that The Rohingya, who are denied citizenship by Myanmar, are considered some of the most persecuted people in the world. The predominantly Buddhist country says they are Bangladeshi and Bangladesh says they're Burmese. He said that The government of Myanmar, which is also known as Burma, blames "terrorists" for starting the violence. Rohingya militants killed 12 security officers in border post attacks almost two weeks ago, according to state media, intensifying the latest crackdown. He urges the authorities in Myanmar must take determined action to put an end to this vicious cycle of violence and to provide security and assistance to all those in need. The Burmese government has repeatedly denied claims the Rohingya are facing genocide. It previously brushed away evidence of human rights violations as fake news and "propaganda. Most of Burma's estimated 1 million Rohingya live in northern Rakhine state. They



face severe persecution, with the government refusing to recognize them as a legitimate native ethnic minority, leaving them without citizenship and basic rights. All participants of the Rally appreciated the statement of His Excellency Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan in which he has urged the Leaders of Muslim countries to address the situation of tens of thousands of Rohingya Muslims, making desperate attempts to flee the worst violence in Myanmar in at least five years. Ch Muhammad Anwar Gujjur, Mushtaq Ahmad Bajwa Ch Reahmat Ali Rana Hashmat, Ch Asghar Ali Gujjur Malik Hamaid Awas Ahmad Qureshi Waheed Ahmad Ch Muhammad Arif Muhammad Saleem Sajad Baluch President Labour Wing Banaras Khan and the representatives of Railway Workers Union Railway Inquball Union Railway Mazdoor Union and Pakistan Transport Workers Federation also participated in the Rally.



# SOCOTU HEADQUARTERS OPENING CEREMONY...



Our Vice President Medeni Sevinç attended the opening ceremony of the new headquarters building of Somali Congress (SOCOTU), a member of the ICLM, completed in TİKA-HAK-İŞ cooperation in Somalia.

Inauguration ceremony, which was attended by a large number of participants, was attended by Memur-Sen Vice President Günay Kaya, President of HAK-IS Mahmut Arslan, General Secretary of HAK-IS. Osman Yildiz, Representatives of OATUU, SWTUF, COTU and NOTU and various countries participated in the meeting. TİKA Somali Coordinator Galip Yılmaz, Somali Minister of Labor Salah Ahmed Jamaa, So-

mali Parliament Vice President Abdiweli İbrahim Sheikh Mudey have also attended to the opening ceremony.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, BEM-BİR-SEN and ICLM Deputy Chairman, Medeni Sevinç informed the participants about the ICLM activities and added that the new service building completed under the cooperation of HAK-İŞ and TİKA would be beneficial for the Somali people. After the inauguration, our Deputy Chairman who met with members of the Somali Congress of Trade Unions (SOCOTU), shared his experience with trade union issues.







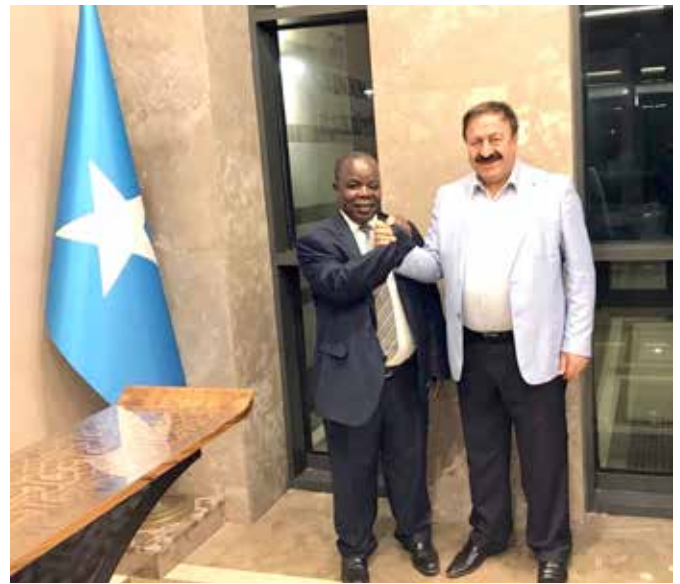
### VISITS TO TURKISH EMBASSY AND TİKA

Vice President Medeni Sevinç and accompanying delegation visited the center of TİKA in Mogadishu region and talked with Coordinator Galip Yılmaz. Talks were held on TİKA's activities in Somalia and on the projects carried out in the region.

Sevinç thanked TİKA Coordinator Galip Yılmaz for their services in Somalia and stated that they are always ready to support. Our Deputy Chairman Medeni Sevinç delivered the financial assistance of Bem-Bir-Sen for the Orphanage made by TİKA to the TİKA Coordinator Galip Yılmaz.

Following the visit to TİKA, Turkish Embassy in Somali Mogadishu have been visited and met with Deputy Ambassador Alican Aksoy to exchange ideas.

Medeni Sevinç also visited the Agriculture School built by TİKA. Visiting TİKA's Educational Center for Orphan Children in Mogadishu came together with the children and distributed various gifts.





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