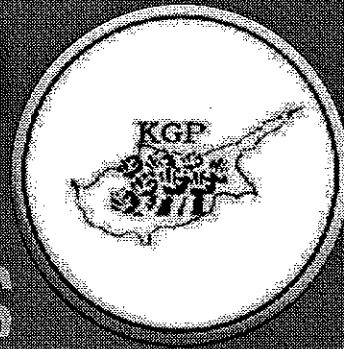


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## **COMMON STRUGGLE - COMMON COUNTRY**

**ΚΟΙΝΟΙ ΑΓΩΝΕΣ - ΚΟΙΝΗ ΠΑΤΡΙΔΑ**

**ORTAK VATAN - ORTAK MÜCADELE**

On the occasion of the 1st of May, the International Workers' Day, DE.K.F.A. PROODEFTIKI and Cypriot Youth Platform (Kıbrıslı Gençlik Platformu - KGP) address a warm and militant greeting to all the working people of the world. This day commemorates their struggles. It commemorates the historic struggle of workers in Chicago and other States in America in 1886, who - guided by the Federation of Organized Trades and Labour Unions - called for a general strike to achieve the goal of eight-hour work day. Many workers have given their lives to achieve this fair demand. Today, this conquest, the eight-hour work day, is being threatened by the neo-liberal policies that are motivated by the EU, which provide that workers would work for up to 65 hours a week. Therefore, the remembrance and honour of May Day Movement remains a necessity.

1st of May has a special meaning for Cypriots and their history. It was the date that mobilized thousands of Cypriots, Greek and Turkish Cypriots, in the past, to demand fairer working conditions. For Greek and Turkish Cypriots, May Day is a symbol of the common anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist and social struggle.

### **For Freedom And Reunification**

36 years after the tragic events of 1974, that started after the bicomunal strife, 36 years after the fascist coup followed by the Turkish occupation in Cyprus, which was elaborated by the foreign imperialist forces, after 36 years of continuous struggle, our vision for a just society, for a reunited and peaceful Cyprus remain alive and timeless. We struggle against occupation, against nationalism and chauvinism. We struggle for reunited Cyprus, for one country without any armies or "mother homelands"; for a solution on the basis of a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation, which will have a single sovereignty, a single international personality, a single citizenship and political equality according to the UN resolutions.

This period is crucial and of profound importance for our country's future. Therefore, we need to continue and strengthen the common struggle for Cyprus's reunification. Turkish and Greek Cypriots' common history, the common class struggle and great gains in the past, prove that together we have the power to overcome all the obstacles, bring down the walls of division and live together in a free and reunited Cyprus.

The road towards the solution of the Cyprus problem is difficult and arduous. Cyprus as a small country needs, and therefore calls for, the support of the international community to achieve what is an established right of all countries of the world: its freedom and independence. As PROODEFTIKI and KGP, we will continue fighting together against imperialism, against Turkish occupation and against nationalism, until our goal for freedom and reunification is achieved.

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