

WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS

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## <u>The World Federation of Trade Unionists expresses solidarity with Occupy Wall Street</u> (OWS)

The World Federation of Trade Unions WFTU wholeheartedly welcomes Occupy Wall Street protestors against finance capital and the corporate powers that have overtaken your country and indeed the world.

The WFTU supports you in your condemnation of corporations that extract wealth from the people and the Earth, that place profit over people and that use their economic power to overturn democratic institutions.

The WFTU welcomes your mass demonstrations that focus on Wall Street and the corporations as the powers behind the foreclosures on homes, the massive unemployment, and the increasing enrichment of the top 1% to the detriment of the rest of the people. We join you in the fight against the degradation of the environment and against the attacks on education and health care. We applaud your efforts to protect the right of workers to form unions and bargain collectively. We, too, condemn the production of weapons of mass destruction for profit.

The WFTUs stands with you in your efforts to organize a fight back that challenges the corporate control of resources and institutions so that the people of your country can build a future that fulfills human needs and aspirations.

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