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T-Mobile Croatia workers strike over unfair plan to cut over 450 jobs

Zagreb, Croatia – HST – Croatian Trade Union of Telecommunications together with two more trade unions from Croatian Telekom Zagreb has organized yesterday a protest rally against lay-off of 450 workers of Croatian Telekom. More than 1500 workers have participated in the rally! Colleagues from Independent Croatian trade unions, Croatian national trade union central, have joined them in solidarity, as well as numerous Croatian trade unions and the representatives of trade unions from DT daughter companies from different countries:

Panagiotis Koutras (OME-OTE, Greece);
Anatolis Birmbilis (OME-OTE, Greece);
Attila Bujdaso (TAVSZAK, Hungary);
Mikols Krassovics (TAVSZAK, Hungary);
Zeljko Buric (TUMT, Montenegro);
Marija Barjaktarovic (TUMT, Montenegro);
Pero Obad (SHT, Bosnia and Herzegovina);
Mirjana Sesar (SHT, Bosnia and Herzegovina);
Marcus Courtney (UNI Global Union)

Protesters gathered on Zagreb main square from where they were started toward Zagreb stock exchange where they addressed to investors. After that they addressed to German ambassador with the protest letter in which they requested to stop double standards of DT. Finally, they went to Croatian Telekom headquarters where several speakers have addressed to protesters: **Juko Cikojevic**, President of HST, representatives of other two trade unions in Croatian Telekom, Marcus Courtney, Panagiotis Koutras, Attila Bujdaso, Zeljko Buric and Pero Obad.



All of them have requested the same: to stop lay-off process for 450 workers, to restart social dialogue and to stop double standards of DT towards daughter companies outside Germany.

The letters of support to Croatian colleagues have been sent by:

Philip Jennings, General Secretary of UNI Global Union,

Sharan Burrow, General Secretary of ITUC,
Bernadette Segol, General Secretary of ETUC,

Larry Cohen, CWA, United States,

Ado Wilhelm, Verdi, Germany,

Drahoslav Lhetko, Trade union of Slovak Telekom



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