

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION

### Disinformation campaign against the ITUC

Brussels, 29 January 2016 (ITUC Online): The ITUC has for some time been facing a disinformation campaign by unidentified persons, in connection with our campaign to defend the rights of migrant workers in Qatar including those preparing infrastructure for the 2022 World Cup. This campaign has included the dissemination of fake videos and other materials, setting up of fake social media accounts and various other techniques aimed at the ITUC and at individual people.

This week the ITUC received confirmation that ITUC email accounts have been hacked, and falsified material inserted into emails. We anticipate that this campaign may intensify in the coming weeks with the election of a new FIFA President due on February 26 and important discussions in UN institutions including the ILO in the first quarter of this year. These methods will not deter the ITUC from standing up for the rights of working people in Qatar or in any other place.

The ITUC represents 180 million workers in 162 countries and territories and has 333 national affiliates.

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