

JOINT STATEMENT BY NICARAGUA'S TRADE UNIONS AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS IN DEFENCE OF SOVEREIGNTY, SELF-DETERMINATION, INDEPENDENCE AND THE RIGHT TO PEACE

We the **National Workers' Front FNT**, the **Coordinadora Social** and the **Nicaraguan Trade Union Unity Movement MUSIN**, who represent hundreds of thousands of Nicaraguan workers organised in trade unions, cooperatives, micro and small enterprises, family enterprises, from all sectors of the national economy; associations and organisations of ex-combatants and ex-military, youth, women and faith organisations declare: -

- 1. OUR CATEGORICAL REJECTION** of any interference or action of the American Imperialist Government and the Neo-colonialist States of the European Union against our country; we demand respect for our **Constitution and our legitimately constituted Government which** represent the decency, dignity and heroism of our Nicaraguan people.
- 2. WE CONDEMN** these types of interventionist actions as being contrary to and contravening the spirit, purposes and principles established in the Charter of the United Nations, the Charter of the Organization of American States and other legal instruments recognised by International Law.
- 3. WE REJECT** the aberrant, criminal and inhumane decision of the American Imperialist Government and the Neocolonialist States of the European Union., as well as the actions of the country that have asked for sanctions and interventions against our people to the detriment of the vast majority.
- 4. As part of the fundamental forces of the Revolution**, we – as trade unions and social organisations, representing workers at national level and in all sectors of the economy – express our willingness to defend our sacred homeland with loyalty, discipline, patriotism and honour, responding with unity and firmness in support of the decisions of our government.
- 5. WE SUPPORT AND RECOGNISE** the work carried out by the Trade Unions and our Government for the defence and dignity of workers in our Nicaraguan country in defence of our Sovereignty, Self-Determination and Independence, as well as all actions aimed at maintaining peace, unity, stability, security and the development of our country.