

EU-Columbia Free Trade Agreement - Unions say NO: Stop the killing first

The European Commission and Columbia have entered into negotiations on a Free Trade Agreement. [EPSU Congress adopted a Resolution](#) at its 2009 Congress in which these negotiations are criticized.

Several groups and unions are organising a series of activities to ensure that the European Commission takes trade union rights seriously in the negotiations.

The UK confederation, together with EPSU affiliate Unite and others has published a report on the situation calling for an immediate end to the negotiations (Report attached).

- [Report](#)

The activities are also taken to the European Parliament 9 December 2009. Unions and others are requested to send a letter to their national MEPs (Draft letter attached).

- [FTA MEP letter](#)

- ETUC

Together with ETUC we reject trade agreements without social dimension
<http://www.etuc.org/a/6500>

- PSI

The situation is very bad with so many trade unionists being killed because they stand up for workers and workers' rights. See also the [work done by PSI](#)

- ITUC

And the [annual report of the ITUC on violations of trade unions rights 2009](#) draws also attention to the difficult situation of trade unionists.

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