

ANTI-TRADE UNION VIOLENCE IN COLOMBIA: JUST THE FACTS

- Colombia is the most dangerous place in the world for trade unionists. **Over 60% of all trade unionists killed in the world are Colombian.**
- The Colombian authorities pour resources into a sophisticated PR campaign and argue that the situation is improving. **This is not the reality on the ground.**

On the reverse of this sheet are the names of the **225 Colombian trade unionists murdered between January 2007 and June 2012.** All were assassinated as a result of their trade union activity.

- Despite the Colombian government's human and labour rights obligations under the US Colombia Free Trade Agreement, there has been little progress made. An EU-Colombia Free Trade Agreement is due to be ratified soon.
- In 95% of the murders no one is brought to justice.
- Colombian trade unionists are killed just for defending their members' rights and campaigning for social justice.
- The international community must take action. If we do not, trade unionists in Colombia will continue to die and those responsible will continue to escape punishment.

Stop the Killings, Stop the Lies
No Colombia Free Trade Agreements
Justice Now



- Justice for Colombia' (JFC) is a British-based human rights organisation supported by the British Trades Union Congress (TUC)
- Workers Uniting is the name of the new international trade union created by Unite, the largest union in the UK and Ireland, and the United Steelworkers, the largest private sector union in the US and Canada. It represents 3 million members.
- The Central Unitaria de Trabajadores (CUT) is the principle trade union confederation in Colombia, with over 700 affiliated trade unions.

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