

Solidarity Statement from the IGA Basel - 24.07.2025

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We the IGA Basel express our full solidarity with the dockworkers of Genoa and the Unione Sindacale di Base in their bold call and mobilization to block the COSCO vessel «Pisces» tomorrow on the 25.07.2025. The ship is carrying steel for military purposes, intended for Israeli weapons production. This action stands as a powerful resistance to the ongoing militarization of our world, the war industry and the ongoing genocide against the Palestinian people.

We also want to acknowledge the inspiring actions of the dockworkers in Piräus, who on 16.07.2025 successfully blocked the «Pisces» from unloading this steel. Their courageous stand was a critical blow to the military supply chain. This victory demonstrates the strength of workers' solidarity in challenging the forces of war and occupation. We stand in full solidarity with the dockworkers of Piräus and their action.

The mobilization for the blockade of the COSCO vessel tomorrow is part of a growing movement of unionists who are rising up against the global infrastructure that supports imperialist wars. The war on Gaza, where an ongoing genocide is being led by the Israeli state with the support of NATO and the EU, calls for urgent and militant action. We are in full solidarity with the Palestinian struggle for liberation, self-determination, and an end to the occupation.

This is not just a fight against the war machine, but also against the broader capitalist system that profits from death and destruction. Swiss financial institutions continue to fund companies that manufacture weapons used in these genocidal wars. Swiss neutrality is nothing but a mask for its role in sustaining global violence through its investments. We call for an immediate halt to Swiss investments in the military-industrial complex and for Switzerland to stop financing the occupation of Palestine.

In this moment of global resistance, we call on all workers and social movements to unite. As IGA we:

- Fully support the Genoa dockworkers and USB in their action to block the «Pisces»
- Stand in solidarity with the dockworkers of Piräus for their successful blockade of Israeli military supplies on July 16.
- Condemn the ongoing genocide in Gaza and demand an immediate end to Israeli
 occupation and violence.
- Call for the immediate blockade of all shipments that fuel war crimes and genocide.
- Condemn Swiss complicity in the global war economy and demand that Swiss financial institutions end funding the military-industrial complex.
- Stand in full solidarity with all oppressed peoples resisting imperialism and occupation.

Solidarity is our weapon against war, militarization, and oppression. Together, we can fight for a world free from violence and exploitation. We stand in solidarity with the dockworkers of Genoa, the Palestinian people and with all those fighting for freedom, justice, and peace.

Hoch die internationale Solidarität!