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MODEL MOTION

This [trade union body] welcomes the overwhelming vote at this year's TUC Congress in support of the POA motion 5. It called for the unions to take "coordinated action where possible with far-reaching campaigns including the consideration and practicalities of a general strike".

We are alarmed that a relentless barrage of even more austerity cuts is coming down the line, and will continue into the foreseeable future.

Millions of workers, young people and sick and disabled people face a lifetime of severe hardship through cuts to pay, conditions, benefits and services – the horrendous situation facing working people in Greece could be our future if we don't stop the Con-Dem attacks.

We believe austerity cuts must be stopped, and that the labour movement has the potential to force a massive U-turn on this coalition government of the rich, if our trade unions were to organise action decisively together.

We believe that the impressive TUC demonstrations on 20 October, which saw over 150,000 trade unionists march in London, Glasgow and Belfast, marks the beginning of a new stage of action.

We urge all unions who participated in the demonstrations to follow up with a further coordinated 24-hour national strike of both public and private sector workers, making direct calls to youth and students, the unemployed, and community campaigns to join in.

We, therefore, agree that this branch will organise a local/regional meeting to discuss how to progress these ideas put forward by the PCS and POA at the TUC.

We also call on the national executive of our union to call on the TUC general council to meet urgently to name the date for the biggest possible coordinated strike.

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