

No to Starvation Wages in Haiti! No to Poverty Wages in the US!

Take part in a Forum, Saturday, February 1, 2014



While fast-food workers in NY protested poverty wages, last December, thousands of garment workers walked out of factories in Port-au-Prince, the capital of Haiti, to demand a minimum wage of 500 gourdes (\$11.50) a day. The workers, mostly young women, were enraged over a government commission decision on wages which lowered the minimum from US \$7.50 a day, which manufacturers refused to pay, to a miserable \$5 a day (62¢/hour). You can't live on that, even in Haiti, where most goods are imported (because of imposed US Free Trade policies).

The workers protested for two days, December 10 and 11, and then were locked out by the bosses for a third day. When they went back to work, at least 28 union leaders were illegally suspended or fired. Many of those worked for Multiwear, which produces t-shirts for HanesBrands, and One World Apparel, which produces work clothes for Walmart and other companies.

Haitian workers must not stand alone! Since the clothes they produce are overwhelmingly for giant American retailers, workers in the U.S. have a special responsibility to stand with our Haitian sisters and brothers. Capitalists around the world are trying to pit workers against each other in the race to the bottom. Workers must unite and fight back!. **Solidarity with Haitian Workers! Reinstate Fired Union Leaders!**



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Take part in a Forum on the fight of workers in Haiti and in the US:

Saturday, February 1, 2014 – 6 to 9 pm
CWA Local 1180, 6 Harrison St. Manhattan

Chambers St (#1, 2, 3, A, E, C, walk North) or Franklin St (#1, walk South) subway stops

**Speakers from Haiti and from
the struggle of low wage workers here in the US**

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