Shri M. L. Khattar, Chief Minister, State Government of Haryana, Chandigarh.

Sub: Seeking urgent intervention in the on-going strike of Road Transport Workers

Dear Shri Khattar Ji,

We the Central Trade Unions are concerned about the on-going strike of Haryana Road Transport Workers against the backdoor privatization of the state run bus services. Instead of finding an amicable solution, your government seems to be bent on breaking the strike by hook or by crook. Draconian measures like invoking ESMA, terminating services of employees, recruiting new hands, spreading the falsehoods that private transporters' fares are cheaper than those offered by the State Transport, are being used. The Workers, by extending their strike for further two days in the face of these repressive actions, have clearly indicated that they do not approve of such high-handed, vindictive methods.

We urge you to instruct your officers to immediately release all the employees detained under various laws, to cancel all vindictive terminations and to reach an amicable honorable solution in consultation with the striking unions at the earliest.

Yours sincerely,

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