

We Are Outraged by the Armed Attack on the Central Office of the Party of Labour, EMEP!

On February 26, an armed assailant attacked the Central Office of the Party of Labour, Turkey, wounding a member of the Central Executive Committee of the youth organisation of EMEP. The assailant has fled the scene of the attack.

We, the Party of Labour of Iran (Toufan), are outraged by this attack on our comrades in Turkey. We insist that the perpetrator and behind-the-scene organisers be arrested and put on trial. The forces behind this hideous crime must be investigated and publicly exposed to the people and labourers of Turkey.

The Party of Labour, EMEP, is an organised force that stands for democracy for the working class and labourers of Turkey. It is a force that fights for the democratic rights of the masses and for the freedom of the people from the capitalist domination by the bourgeoisie of Turkey. The Party of Labour has waged a resolute struggle against the US aggression and domination in the entire Middle East region. It is an organisation that promotes solidarity between the oppressed people of the region and the world.

The armed attack on the Central Office of EMEP is a crime that must be condemned by all revolutionary, democratic, and progressive forces. This is an attack on all forces that fight for the democratic rights of the masses. It is a crime against all those who advocate the liberation of the working men and women of Turkey from class oppression by the pro imperialist bourgeoisie in power in Turkey.

This armed attack against our comrades in Turkey is not an isolated act of aggression. The death squads organised by the ruling class of Turkey have murdered many revolutionary and labour activists whose concerns were the realisation of the democratic power of the people. The ruling class in Turkey has imprisoned and tortured many thousand of political activists. The barbaric mistreatment of the political prisoners in Turkey is a dark stain on the foreheads of the authorities in Turkey who try to protect their class interests through repression and intimidation.

Our Party strongly condemns the armed attack on the Central Office of EMEP and stands in solidarity with the Turkish comrades. We are confident that no amount of repression or intimidation will stop our comrades from fighting to organise the working class and labourers of Turkey.

The Party of Labour of Iran (Toufan)

The Foreign Office

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