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Labour Day Message

The Leadership of the National Salvation Front (NAS) congratulates all workers and citizens of South Sudan, and all labour movements around the world, on the occasion of the International Workers Day (Labour Day). On this great day of 1st May, we celebrate decades of relentless struggle by workers and labour movements for the rights of workers to work in decent conditions and live dignified lives while serving humanity.

The National Salvation Front (NAS) stands in solidarity with the workers in South Sudan and expresses its strong indignation at the treatment of workers in the country. While the global struggle for the rights of workers have made great progress over the decades in most places, the workers of South Sudan continue to suffer from deprivation of their rights and abuse of their dignity. Their lives have become a daily endurance of inflated taxes, extortions, low wages, unhealthy and unsafe working environments and unpaid salaries.

As we celebrate this year's Labour Day, NAS honours the workers of South Sudan who are the bedrocks of our families and the unsung heroes of our country. We pay tribute and salute the women and men working hard by their market stalls so as to put their children in school; the construction workers toiling so as to put bread on the family table; and the civil servants in government institutions, living on hope as they are intimidated and subdued to work without salaries.

The Leadership of the National Salvation Front (NAS) calls on workers in South Sudan to organize and struggle for their rights in the country. The struggle for your rights and dignity is part and parcel of our struggle and we too will not relent in this struggle until you live with full rights and dignity.

Happy Workers Day!

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