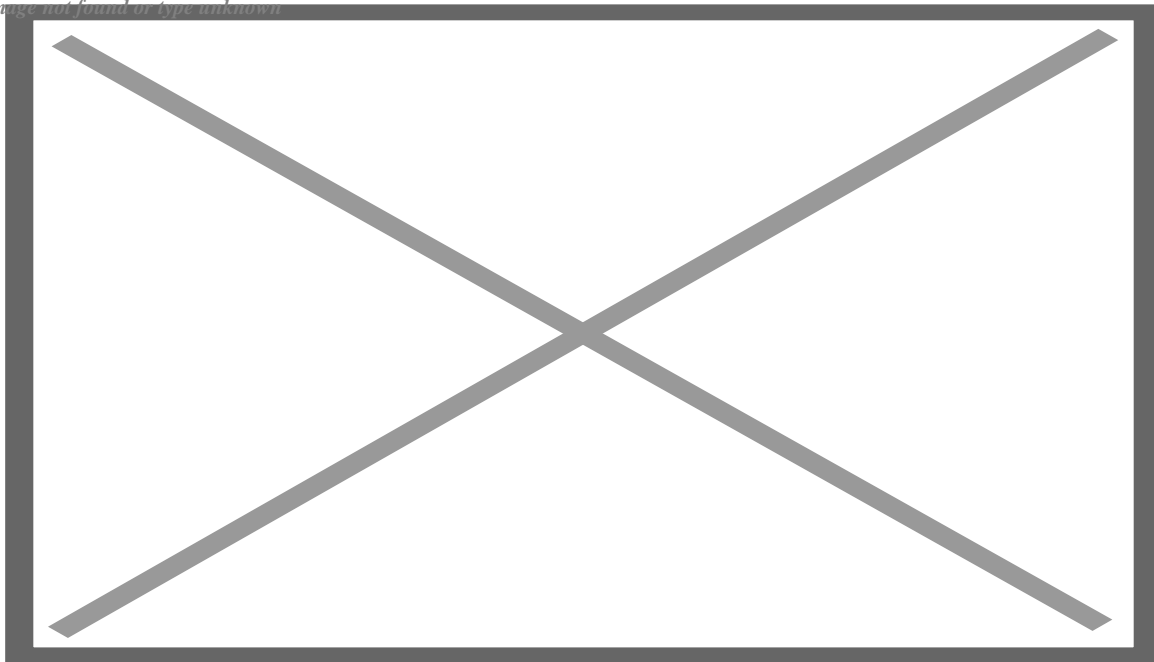


Latin America celebrates International Worker's Day

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A Bolivian poster in honor of International Workers' Day. | Photo: Twitter/ @MindeGobierno

Havana, May 1 (RHC)-- On May 1st, Latin American workers are mobilizing to defend their rights and commemorate International Workers' Day.

In Argentina, social and trade union organizations gather in Buenos Aires City to defend workers' rights and reject the interference of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in domestic economic policies.

Groups such as the Union of Workers of the Popular Economy, the Evita Movement, the Combative Class Current (CCC), the Milagro Sala Front, Standing Neighborhoods, and the Great Homeland Front meet on Mayo Avenue from where they will march to the headquarters of the Argentine government, the Pink House.

In Brazil, the Worker's Central Union (CUT) and other organizations hold events in the main cities of the country to express their support for President Lula da Silva, who announced an increase in the minimum wage and will send a bill to Congress so that this remuneration is readjusted according to the annual inflation rate.

In Bolivia, President Luis Arce leads the La Paz Great March convened by the Bolivian Workers' Central (COB) to commemorate International Workers' Day.

In Chile, the Workers' Unitary Central (CUT) and other social organizations called on citizens to gather at the CUT headquarters to march towards the Gabriela Mistral Center, where they will hold a massive rally in Santiago city.

Besides rejecting job insecurity, Chileans demand a tax reform to improve the distribution of wealth, an increase in the amount of pensions for retirees, more jobs for young people, and the implementation of Convention 190 against workplace violence and harassment.

In Ecuador, the Unitary Front of Workers (FUT) and dozens of social organizations carry out the traditional march for Labor Day and demand the resignation of Guillermo Lasso, a right-wing president who has failed to solve the main problems that afflict the people.

In Venezuela, the United Socialist Party (PSUV), labor unions, and social organizations called on citizens to meet in various locations in Caracas starting at 10:00 a.m. local time to march in support of President Nicolas Maduro.

In Peru, Paraguay and Uruguay, union and social organizations will carry out acts to commemorate International Workers' Day.

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