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IndustriALL Global Union and industriAll European Trade Union in solidarity with GMB workers at Harland and Wolff yard

Dear Brother Tim,

We are writing this letter to you on behalf of [IndustriALL Global Union](#) and [industriAll European Trade Union](#), both representing millions of workers in mining, energy and manufacturing industries in Europe and worldwide, to express our full support and solidarity with GMB workers at Hartland and Wolff, who are calling for the yard to be re-nationalized, as part of the UK government's strategy to protect shipbuilding.

We share your deep concern as the yard was put up for sale in December 2018 due to serious financial problems at its Norwegian parent company, Dolphin Drilling, which has so far failed to find a buyer. We understand that the company has gone into administration, and the workers have been given redundancy notices.

Therefore, IndustriALL Global Union and industriAll Europe urge the UK government to intervene immediately, and as part of a strategy to protect shipbuilding, to re-nationalize the Hartland and Wolff yard, thus preserving the company's assets, and expertise and long experience of the skilled and resilient workforce at this historic site.

IndustriALL Global Union and industriAll Europe are fully committed to supporting your struggle to keep the Hartland and Wolff yard in production, and protect the jobs of GMB workers at the site. Stay strong, you are not alone.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sanches". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial 'S'.

Valter Sanches
General Secretary
IndustriALL Global Union

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Triangle". The signature is highly stylized with a large, circular initial 'T'.

Luc Triangle
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