



Focus on *Group 4 Securicor*

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Group 4 Securicor's Low Standards Are Put Under The Global Spotlight

Group 4 Securicor's low standards and anti-worker practices were the focus of more 1,500 trade unionists from six continents gathered in Chicago for the Union Network International (UNI) World Congress last week.

FOCUS ON THE SUPPLY CHAIN

UNI leaders also announced plans to call upon G4S customers and decision makers in both the public and private sector to reconsider relationships with G4S, a company that is actively denying the rights of its employees.

A letter was delivered to the London 2012 Olympic Committee and Mayor Ken Livingston urging them to bar G4S from bidding for valuable security contracts that will be put out to tender for the development and operations of London's Olympic facilities until G4S employment practices improve. The letter states, "I urge you to exclude Britain's Group 4 Securicor from competing for any security contracts (either to protect the ongoing development work, or the Games themselves) for as long as it fails to live up to acceptable employment and safety standards."

POOLING RESOURCES

Trade union leaders agreed to pool their resources, staff and expertise to focus on persuading G4S to observe a basic set of principles of respect for workers and the public wherever they operate. The new global union alliance will fund and direct efforts to raise standards in South Africa, India, Poland, Germany and the United States.

INTERNATIONAL MEDIA ATTENTION

The global union alliance's announcement regarding Group 4 Securicor's international degradation of standards sparked a series of press stories including:

Wall Street Journal—

Unions to Target Security Workers on Global Scale

Washington Post—

Workers of the World Uniting

Reuters Global—

Union Leaders Target UK's Group 4 Securicor

South African Business Report—

Group 4 Securicor Becomes Focus on Union Drive

Edinburgh Evening News—

Global Unions to Target Wal-Mart and Group 4

Reuters—

Unions Plan to Fight Against Big Multinationals

Chicago Tribune—

Organizing a Global Strategy

Chicago Tribune—

Global Union Leaders Swap Ideas on Organizing Workers

Chicago Sun-Times—

Time for Labor Unions to Go Global

Daily Labor Report—

Unions Seek Int'l Cooperation in Organizing Multinational Corporations

