



9th September 2009

Dear DESA buyer,

As I am sure you are aware DESA management and the Deri Is union signed a protocol agreement on August 26th 2009. In the protocol they agreed to reinstate a number of the workers immediately and provide the remaining workers with first hiring opportunities if and when jobs become available. We are delighted to hear this good news and wish to thank you for any efforts your company might have made to bring about this positive development.

These are early days and we will continue to monitor the progress of industrial relations at this company. However the Deri Is union are positive about the protocol and report to us that DESA management are currently operating in good faith to implement their commitments as outlined in the agreement. From our side we have now stopped the campaign and posted a closing statement on the Clean Clothes Campaign International website and on the websites of the CCC in Italy, Spain, France and Germany. We will issue a press release tomorrow declaring the closure of the case and welcoming the agreement at DESA. I have attached a copy of both to this email.

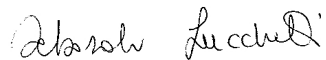
We all know that freedom of association and collective bargaining are important aspects of any ethical programme. We also know that workers all over the world struggle to get respect for this right and many fail to achieve it. The DESA dispute has proven that it is possible to enforce this right if the will to do so exists. However should DESA buyers not commit to supporting this factory and positively reward DESA for choosing to come to the table this struggle will become meaningless.

DESA owners have now made a decision, after pressure from the public and from its buyers, to ensure its workers are able to organise and it is now the responsibility of its buyers to back this up by placing increased orders with the factories in Duzce and Sekafoy and by making a long term commitment to staying with and supporting DESA to move forward as a unionised facility.

Throughout this case most the buyers refused to speak with union representatives; we hope that now DESA has recognised Deri Is as the single legitimate representative of its workers this attitude towards the union will change. Buyers also need to recognise Deri Is as the legitimate representative of the DESA workers and ensure union representatives are involved in long term monitoring of conditions and improvements at the factory.

Thank you again for any contribution you made towards seeing this protocol signed and we look forward to hearing of continuous improvements at DESA over the next year.

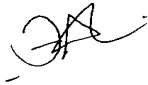
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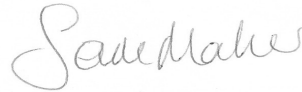
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