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Trade Union Health and Safety Must Be Prioritised & Strengthened with Brexit Looming - Petition Launched:

To: All Branches

Dear Colleagues,

A Union Safety petition has been launched through the '38 Degrees' not-for-profit British political-activism organisation which campaigns for fairness, to defend rights, promote peace, preserve the planet and deepen democracy in the UK. "The petition urges the TUC to strengthen trade union partnerships and put prime focus on individual unions to prioritise and increase focus on their individual Health and Safety departments and structures, in readiness for 'post Brexit Britain' when the Tory Government will be freed from EU obligations and be able to tear up, water down and destroy health and safety laws, regulations, duties and obligations to the UK workforce.

Why is this important?

The Petition states; Health and Safety was the main reason for the birth of the trade union movement. There is no doubt with the current government attack on trade unions and a possible all out onslaught when we arrive at 'post Brexit' Britain, Trade Unions will no doubt find the coming years increasingly difficult. For this reason alone TRADE UNIONS must immediately prioritise Health and Safety now and strengthen links with other unions. Every individual worker has the right to a safe and healthy working environment. Workers are better protected with a strong & robust union that adopts a prime focus on Health and Safety at work.

The Petition can be signed here:-

<https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/trade-union-health-and-safety-must-be-prioritised-strengthened-with-brexit-looming>

Yours sincerely



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