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Halt the dissolution of the teacher union UNE

Dear Minister,

Japan Teachers' Union (JTU) writes to condemn the procedure initiated by the Ministry of Education to dissolve the teacher union UNE (*Unión Nacional de Educadores*).

Earlier this year, you assured the International Labour Organisation (ILO) that Decree 16 on the registration of non-profit organization does not apply to trade unions. This decree can therefore not be invoked now.

JTU urges the Ecuadorian government to halt the legal proceedings of dissolution against UNE; to respect the fundamental rights of the education employees and their organisations; and to abide by its international obligations, as a signatory to ILO Conventions 87 and 98.

Yours sincerely,



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