

Colombia:

Trade Unionists in the Firing Line

Public meeting

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Committee Room 1

Hove Town Hall

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In the last 15 years more than 3,500 trade unionists in Colombia have been assassinated for their work. Many more have been tortured, threatened, detained or 'disappeared'. These attacks are part of a systematic campaign

of violence being carried out by the Colombian state and their paramilitary allies to silence voices of opposition

Come and hear the story of Hernando Hernandez Tapasco, a trade union and

indigenous leader, who in June last year was arrested and imprisoned without trial for 6 months – falsely accused of 'rebellion'. He remains one of the most threatened trade unionists in Colombia.



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