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*Workers international has endorsed this demand and urges it's widespread support*

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Since 22 February, millions of Algerians have been demonstrating to demand democracy and sovereignty – a chanting “Regime, Out Now!”

The Algerian regime has responded by unleashing repression against political activists, lawyers, young people and trade unionists.

In particular, the regime has targeted the following (listed in the order that they were arrested):

- **Hadj Ghermoul**, a young activist of the Algerian League for the Defence of Human Rights and a member of the National Committee for the Defence of the Rights of the Unemployed, who in February was sentenced to six months in prison without parole for holding a sign that read, “No to a Fifth Term!” (for former President Bouteflika).
- **Kameleddine Fekhar**, a human rights activist campaigning in defence of the democratic rights of the Mozabite population of the Algerian province of Ghardaïa and a member of the FFS (Socialist Forces Front), was arrested

in Ghardaïa in March. **On 28 May, Dr Kameleddine Fekhar died in prison after a 56-day hunger strike. Despite his deteriorating health and the many protests demanding his release, the authorities allowed the situation to worsen.**

- **Hadj Brahim Aouf**, a teacher from Ghardaïa who was arrested along with Dr Fekhar, who is also on a hunger strike and whose life is in danger.
- **Louisa Hanoune**, General Secretary of the Workers Party (PT), who was arrested on 9 May and charged with “conspiracy against the State authority and the military authority.”

**Many other activists also have been arrested and imprisoned.**

**We, the undersigned, express our solidarity with the Algerian people and call for the immediate release of all political prisoners!**

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