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Dear Comrades !

The Central Comitee of FDJ (Free German Youth) congratulates to and feels solidarity with your campaign „Vote No“, which has contributed the important victory against the Lissabon-Treaty.

This “NO” is all the more significant if we realize the real political character of this treaty. We consider it – similar to your position - as one further attack against the European workers. Moreover, it represents a military dictatorship of the German ruling class, who has tried to impose his imperial will to the European countries. We have fought against this military dictatorship called EU-treaty with the slogan: “A German Europe means War!”

What this subordination would mean to Europe can be seen within the changes in the former GDR and the FRG. Since the annexation of the German Democratic Republic through the Federal Republic of Germany in 1990, the reactionary state administration of the FRG has centralised its power, has united the police with the states' secret service – a scheme that has its origins in the GeStaPo (secret police) from 1939 – and it has positioned its forces interior as well as at the borders and inside adjacent countries (FRONTEX). This contravenes the sovereignty of the nations and Germany's constitution (Grundgesetz).

It becomes obvious that those offences supposed to lead into war: „Capitalists do not want war they must want it !” (Bertolt Brecht)

Your successful achievement in the struggle is of great importance to the progressive youth in the world. According to Karl Liebknecht's words: “Our main enemy is at home. It is called German Imperialism!”, we stand by your side in the struggle against this kind of European Union by resisting German imperialism.

In the end, we don't have no choice but to continue the struggle against this European Union:

“From the standpoint of the economic conditions of imperialism – i.e. the export of capital and the division of the world by the ‘advanced’ and ‘civilized’ colonial powers – a United States of Europe, under capitalism, is either impossible or reactionary.” (W.I. Lenin, On the Slogan of an United States of Europe, Vol. 21

;translation taken from www.marxists.org)

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„A German Europe means war“

Action of Free German Youth in front of the Brandenburg Gate, Berlin the 8th of May 2004