

ASBESTOS KILLS. BAN IT NOW!

TO MY NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

To Whom It May Concern

I am writing to you on behalf of the workers and the organisation that I represent to express my commitment to a global ban on the production, import, export and use of asbestos products.

Together with colleagues from across the world I am asking that the government both ratifies and implements the international Convention adopted by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) in 1986 and also supports a further draft resolution calling for a global ban to be presented at the ILO Conference this year. I would also request that you use all diplomatic means possible to encourage other countries to follow suit.

Millions of workers remain exposed to asbestos and its fibres which kill more than 100,000 people each year. This is clearly down to negligence on the part of certain employers and governments who persist in using this substance, despite a number of safer alternatives being available.

Any ban should also include social protection measures for those workers displaced as a result of this activity.

Yours in solidarity,

_____ Signed

_____ Print your name

_____ Print the name of your organisation

_____ Country of origin