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The Single Audit Authority bill is about establishing such an Authority that will help to tackle undeclared work more effectively, protecting workers' rights, such as wage protection, annual leave, hours of work and rest, maternity leave, paternity leave and many other basic labour rights, as well as better enforcement of labour legislation.

This bill has been under discussion in the Parliamentary Committee on Labour for 2.5 years. Employers' organizations were not comfortable with the relevant Bill and were constantly pushing for new requirements. Twice he reached the plenary session and the decision was postponed. AKEL warned of intentions and efforts to serve the part of employers who violate labour rights.

Last December, the bill was tabled in Parliament, where the DISY, DIKO, EDEK, Solidarity and ELAM parties voted in favour of an amendment to cut funding for the establishment and operation of the Single Inspection Service.

However, the question of setting up the Office is still being discussed in the Parliamentary Working Committee. In this context, DIKO tabled unexpected amendments to the bill, which raise questions. In particular, since the bill currently before the House is the result of mutual reductions by the social partners in order to promote it for a vote as soon as possible.

If the DIKO amendments are adopted, the philosophy of the bill will be circumvented, making it virtually insufficient to effectively protect workers' rights.



These are amendments which abolish the provisions concerning the imposition of administrative fines, offenses and penalties.

Young people should know who has the highest priority for protecting workers' rights and who doesn't. The amendments by Nikola Papadopoulos and DIKO will damage the social partners' efforts to safeguard labour rights and tackle unfair competition between employers.

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The surveillance and the possible cover up of the case with the spy van



A key question for our people is how secure we can feel in the state where we live, when issues are not addressed with the necessary seriousness by the responsible. A few months ago, the case of a spy van came to the fore. A case that can create in each of us a feeling of insecurity.

We live in an age when all of our personal lives can easily be tracked, either online or by the reckless use of the power of technology. Our basic need is for everyone to take all necessary measures to protect their personal data. However, many and various times appear in the news at times causing uncertainty about the “rule of law” presented to us by the rulers. The big donor created in the recent van case seems to be hiding.

The latest releases report arrests and interrogations, which seems to the eyes of the world. So, a few months later, no one deals with the issue. An issue that has taken on an international dimension. It is easy to see that this is once again a case of DISY-Anastasiadis’ government complicity and corruption, as the interests shown through their stance, what is said about weapons licenses and client relationships between Israelis and lawyers. office of the president, apply.

It is therefore advisable for those directly responsible to present and report the results of the investigation, as well as the offenses that may arise. We cannot stay with our hands crossed when the privacy of workers and youth is violated. We are calling for alertness and alertness, as the unpopular policies that are imposed on us, among other things, cause insecurity and the legal feeling of the Cypriot people.

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Renewable Energy... The people will pay for it

According to the latest data from the European Statistical Office, our country ranks last in the Member States in the consumption of renewable energy (RES) electricity. The main evidence is that we are behind the penetration of RES in transport and power generation.

The current government still lacks a comprehensive energy planning and RES policy, so citizens must be burdened with inaction, indifference and slavery.

As EDON we realize that failure to achieve the goals leads to two serious problems.

On the one hand, environmental disaster and on the other the possible penalties to be imposed on EU Member States for not achieving the goals he set. Punishments that will victimize the people, and especially the younger generation, who are already paying for the government's incompetence, which has by decree raised fuel prices. The increase in fuel prices is expected to lead to chain price increases on basic goods and services, which will again be paid by taxpayers.

On the other hand, we believe that in addition to respect for the environment, the best possible penetration of RES in electricity generation will lead to cheaper electricity for the people. The government has to take on its responsibilities, even at the very last, by changing policies. The government must stop rejecting the proposals of the opposition parties, in particular AKEL (such as giving incentives to promote gas and electric traffic), and heed them.



WFDY meeting with Evo Morales in Solidarity with the people of Bolivia

Almost a week ago, on February 05, 2020, the newly elected President of the World Federation of Democratic Youth (WFDY) Arítz Rodríguez Galán had a constructive and extremely important meeting with the President of Bolivia Evo Morales in Argentina.

Evo Morales briefed the WFDY president on the coup in November 2019 in Bolivia, where the army along with police overthrew the elected president, and under threat of right-wing bullies forced his Presidency to resign. In addition, he informed him of the situation of the people at the time following the coup. To his dismay, President Morales transferred to competitor Aritz, the problem of immigration that Bolivia is currently experiencing, seeing its children abandon it one after the other because of the coup. For his part, Aritz Rodríguez assured him that WFDY is and will be on the side of the Bolivians until liberation from this fascist regime and the return of the Republic to the country.

Among other things, it was discussed what WFDY's position on the burning issue of Bolivia was. The President of the WFDY reiterated its condemnation of the coup by the WFDY and its 20th Assembly. He also suggested organizing solidarity events with the Bolivian people in various countries to raise public awareness of the situation in the country and to condemn the global coup. Finally, information was provided on the decisions of the 20th Assembly of the WFDY held in Cyprus last December and it was reaffirmed that we were on the side of the country's legitimate President.

