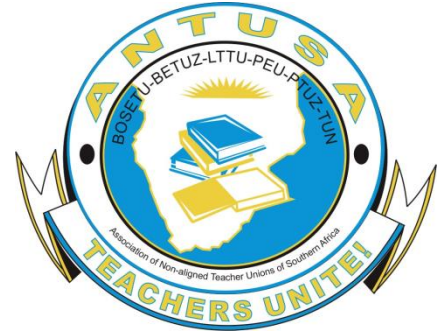


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## **ANTUSA 'S MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY TO THE PROGRESSIVE TEACHERS' UNION OF ZIMBABWE**

The Professional Educators' Union (PEU) has, as Presidency of ANTUSA, noted with grave concern in the series of events in Zimbabwe, wherein civil servants' basic conditions of employment are forever trampled upon by the government.

We therefore pause, to seize this moment in time, to pledge, on behalf of all other ANTUSA affiliates, namely, the Basic Education Teachers Union of Zambia (BETUZ), Botswana Sectors of Educators Trade Union (BOSEU), Lesotho Teachers' Union (LTTU) as well as Teachers' Union of Namibia (TUN), our unequivocal message of solidarity to all of the Zimbabwean civil servants in general and our PTUZ comrades in particular, as you engage in a fight for your constitutional rights and against erosion into your basic conditions of employment.

We further get solace in learning that, as workers, you have forged a unity of purpose towards a common purpose. Comrades and friends, the unity of workers is of paramount importance and can never, at any given time, be over-emphasized. It must further be noted comrades that the insinuation on allegations of partisan by your government epitomizes a growing and worrying trend in most African States that each time we, as the non-aligned groupings, express our disenchantment in demand of justice and fairness, such efforts become misconstrued as being fronted by the oppositions.

As ANTUSA, we do not only view this as being disingenuous on the part of the state, but to be insulting and undermining our collective intelligence. As the vanguards of the working class, we urge you to remain resolute and steadfast, in your quest to fight the injustice and continuous undermining of their rights. You should remain united like never before and never allow any form of insinuation to side-track or dissuade you from your noble and just course, to ensure that workers' rights are not eroded during your shift.

**FORWARD WITH THE SPITIT OF NON-SURRENDER, FORWARD!!!  
FOR AND ON BELF OF ANTUSA PRESIDENCY  
CDE MALOSE KUTUMELA**