STAND with MIGRANT WORKERS

Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favourable conditions of work and to protection against underemployment. **Article 23 (1) of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights**

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War on Want believes in decent work and a living wage for all, regardless of immigration status. Only by protecting equal social and labour rights for all workers can we stop a race to the bottom where employers drive down working conditions for everyone.

FACTS

'Flexibility' drives down wages

- Major factors driving down wages in the UK are deregulation, a 'flexible' labour market and restrictions on trade unions. Evidence indicates that the effect of migration on wage decline in the UK is negligible.
- Migrant workers are disproportionately employed in precarious work. This means they are less able to challenge exploitative bosses.
- **Employers are undermining** rights, hard-won by trade unions over decades. This drives down standards for everyone.

Public services depend on migrant workers

- Migration does not undermine public services, it strengthens them. Years of cuts and privatisation are causing services to be stretched. Migrant workers have long made an essential contribution to public services, such as the NHS and social care. Migrant workers keep services running.
- The break up of services through outsourcing and private providers that focus on cutting costs, has meant that many public services are forced to rely on staff trained in other countries.

- WE DEMAND: The right to work for all
 - Equal social and labour protection
 - An end to precarious contracts

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