

## **Indivisible Abroad Press Release re May 1<sup>st</sup> 2026**

### **Call for International Economic Resistance to the Trump Regime**

We are a network of US citizens in more than a dozen countries and 25 cities worldwide dedicated to non-violent resistance to the Trump Regime. We aim to restore our democracy and stop the lawless destruction and corruption the Trump Regime is spreading worldwide.

The Trump Regime is the product of billionaires, multi-national corporations, oligarchs and like-minded autocrats cooperating to maximize their economic power over the lives of ordinary people. Basic needs like housing, healthy food and water, medical care, education and livable wages have become a luxury for the lucky few. The financial elite avoid taxes and responsibility. They have captured media to restrict information, to spread disinformation, and to distract and divide. Constant surveillance and control by algorithm are becoming the norm for ordinary people. The obscenely wealthy invest massive amounts of money to lobby lawmakers and officials for laws even more advantageous to them, further reducing their accountability and our choices.

Our rights as political citizens are limited by our nationality. Our economic resistance to the Trump Regime is not. The dystopian future facing ordinary people has advanced under the cover of domestic and international markets. Political success requires us to think about our actions in the marketplace as well. If we do, our influence grows exponentially through the supply chains we favor and disfavor.

**Organized Labor is essential to push back the Trump Regime.** On May 1<sup>st</sup>, Indivisible Abroad groups across the world will join in May 1<sup>st</sup> protests in solidarity with workers everywhere and celebrate the organized labor movements that decisively contributed to improving the lives of working people. We thank the labor movements in Europe and elsewhere who have demonstrated that solidarity among working people can build governments that protect their rights and interests. Indivisible Abroad calls on labor leaders to work across borders for increased effectiveness.

**Conscientious Consumers are essential to push back the Trump Regime.** Every purchase bestows money and power on the seller. Indivisible Abroad asks everyone to spend wisely and benefit only those sellers who share your values. We urge people to remember their working brothers and sisters by putting solidarity above short-term price advantages. Become curious about who you are actually dealing with and share what you learn. Indivisible Abroad calls on consumers everywhere to come together across borders to maximize our consumer impact.

**Boycotts are necessary to send messages to the elite and impact their choices.**

Concentrated, organized refusals to deal with bad actors can change their behavior. They also send a warning that we understand that we can escalate our coordinated action if they support abuses of power or law. Indivisible Abroad will be calling for boycotts against egregious bad actors who have shown their support for the Trump Regime through donations and government contracting, whose corporations seek to impoverish workers, who lie and attack journalism and research, and whose businesses aim to create a system of fear through

surveillance and incarceration. Indivisible Abroad calls on all people outside the USA to join these boycotts and publicize them widely.

**Boycotting 2026 World Cup activities in the USA is the right response to massive violations of international law and human rights by the Trump Regime.** The violations by the Trump Regime are numerous and obvious: tariffs contrary to treaties, blowing up and pirating vessels in international waters, war and threats of force against sovereign nations – Venezuela, Canada, Greenland/ Denmark, Iran and Cuba. Human rights abuses within the USA abound: illegal detentions, renditions without due process, inhuman incarceration conditions, rampant government violence in the streets including publicly shooting US citizens exercising their constitutional rights. US officials have repeatedly implied that foreign visitors and teams from certain countries are not welcome at the World Cup. Indivisible Abroad calls on the world community not to exonerate these crimes and threats by travelling to the USA for matches.

**A “day of economic noncooperation” is occurring on May 1st 2026 in the USA that will benefit from international recognition and expression of solidarity.** May 1st is not a holiday in the USA. Inspired by Minnesota unions, community organizations and workers who came together to withhold economic power in response to occupation of their city by federal agents and the violent attacks perpetrated on their residents, hundreds of organizations in the USA have built a the May Day strong coalition which calls for workers, students, and families to rally, march, and take action across the USA to refuse business as usual on May 1st: No School. No Work. No Shopping.

There is widespread concern in the USA that the national elections in November 2026 (the “Midterms”) will not be free, or fair, or properly counted. The May Day Strong action of national noncooperation is training for steps that may become necessary to save democracy in the USA. International support for the defense of democracy has enormous symbolic and emotional power for the people in the USA. Indivisible Abroad joins Indivisible in the United States in calling on all friends of democracy throughout the world to express their solidarity with the May 1st day of economic noncooperation in the USA. We ask that labor organizations in particular to speak out in support of the May Day Strong actions in the USA in their speeches and written statements on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

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