

Iraqi Union Leaders Speak

Friday, June 17

6 pm

UNITE HERE

333 S. Ashland

Chicago, IL



Falah Awan, President

Federation of Workers Councils and Unions of Iraq



Amjad Ali Aljawhry

Representative for FWCUI in North America

The FWCUI was founded after its first conference on December 8, 2003 which included representatives of elected councils, and preparatory committees in several plants, enterprises, and factories. It has led and assisted in strikes and job actions for better conditions in textile, leather, Pepsi and other industrial enterprises. Prior its formation many of its leaders and activists had been active in the Union of Unemployed Iraqis, a network operating in several cities of Iraq that mobilized for jobs or benefits for unemployed Iraqis. The Federation's goal is to build workers' organizations in Iraq that are independent, democratic, and free of governmental control. Furthermore, they seek to build unions free of religious, political, gender, and ethnic discrimination. FWCUI representatives have campaigned internationally for workers rights in Iraq. The FWCUI demands the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all occupying forces from Iraq. For more info: www.uuiraq.org



For more information on the
USLAW Iraq Labor Tour:
www.uslaboragainstwar.org

USLAW Iraq Labor Tour Goals

- Inform the US labor movement about the difficult conditions facing Iraq's labor movement and the common challenges of privatization, outsourcing and attacks on workers rights experienced by workers in both Iraq and the US
- Build international labor solidarity with the Iraqi trade union movement
- Present US audiences with seldom heard progressive, secular voices, personalizing the stories of Iraqi working people
- Raise the level of understanding in the U.S. labor movement about the impact of U.S. foreign policy on workers' rights, jobs, living standards and working conditions, and to call upon American unions and the AFL-CIO to demand an immediate end to the occupation, return of all U.S. troops to their homes and families, and reallocation of funds from militarism to meeting human needs.

Sponsored by U.S. Labor Against the War (USLAW) and affiliated unions and labor organizations, Chicago Labor Against the War (CLAW), Chicago Labor for Peace, Prosperity and Justice (CLPPJ)

For more info: Chilaborantiwar@yahoo.com • 773-561-0908