

Press release



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Swedish minister of trade Leif Pagrotsky at a festival for social democratic youth in Malmö:

The EU trade with clothes is unjust!

- ***Anyone who fights for international solidarity should help tearing down the walls that keeps poor countries from developing***, said Swedish minister of trade, Leif Pagrotsky on a press conference with among others Mike Moore, WTO, before delivering his speech to almost 6000 young social democrats from all over the world at the IUSY FESTIVAL 2000 in Malmö - Sweden.

Mr. Pagrotsky wanted the young European festival attendees to encourage their parties at home. Mr. Pagrotsky continues:

- ***Take for example the trading of clothes in Europe. The limits for import we have today exploits the families with children in Europe, as well as the textile workers in poor countries are denied the opportunity to build their own future. Both our own interest and the solidarity tells us to stop leaving them out in the cold and instead welcome them on our markets***, finished minister of trade Leif Pagrotsky.

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The International IUSY FESTIVAL 2000 (the International Union of Socialist Youth) hosted by the Swedish Social Democratic Youth started the 24/7 and ends the 30/7, with 6000 young social democrats from 120 countries participating.

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For more information on the festival: www.iusy.org