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Dear Colleagues,

I would like to inform you that OS KOVO is strongly supporting demonstration organised by the ČMKOS – Czech Confederation of the Trade Unions – against the intention of our Government in frame of the prepared reform of public finances. Therefore we would bring some 10 000 of our members to a

Demonstration at the Wenceslas Square
Saturday, June 23, 2007 at 13:00.

We are aware of the necessity of public finances reform but the Governments' approach we see as very unfair. It would substantially help to the richest and on the other hand the situation of average and below-average paid employees would be not just worsened but another surprise for them would be the planned privatisation of public services. We cannot say YES to proposals involving for example:

- cuts in sickness benefits (introducing first three days unpaid);
- rise in prices of basic foodstuffs (VAT increase from 5% to 9%)
- prolonged retirement age to 65 years including same retirement age for men and women regardless number of children;

and many other measures that are worsening position of employees.

We hope you would also support our demonstration.

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