

UNI COMMERCE GLOBAL STEERING COMMITTEE IS IN SOLIDARITY WITH MASSMART WORKERS AND SACCAWU

In the meeting of UNI Commerce Global Steering Committee, SACCAWU has reported that Massmart - a company of Walmart - has recently announced that it plans to close some stores in South Africa which could put 1,400 jobs at risk.

Despite the fact that such a restructuring might lead to massive dismissals; we regret to learn that Massmart management has not engaged in consultation with SACCAWU, a UNI Commerce affiliate that represents Massmart workers.

As members of UNI Commerce Global Steering Committee:

- We urge the local management of Massmart and global management of Walmart to revise their decision to close stores and to engage in constructive and genuine consultation with SACCAWU in order to avoid job losses and minimize negative effects on workers.
- We call South African authorities to step in and ensure that consultation process is properly carried out and all necessary measures are taken to avoid job losses.
- We manifest our solidarity with Massmart workers and SACCAWU in their just fight to protect jobs.

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