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Solidarity Message to the Korean Teachers and Education Workers Union from ZENKYO

JEON, Heeyeong President the Korean Teachers and Education Workers Union (KTU)

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Dear President Heeyeong,

The news, South Korea President Yoon Suk Yeol declared martial law in the midnight on December 3, has been widely reported in Japan. ZENKYO joins in your voice to condemn this brutal and undemocratic acts by the President.

However, the President lifted martial law in the dawn of December 4 after the citizen of South Korea and members of the National Assembly faced up to the crisis. ZENKYO would like to express our sincerely respect and solidarity to the courage of the people of South Korea who stood up for the benefit of democracy.

KTU has been a pioneer to defend democracy and education as you are strongly united and promote your struggles against the South Korean government which has oppressed you for the long time. ZENKYO hopes that your union and Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU) to strive continuously to defend democracy.

In unity and in solidarity,

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