Globalizing Labor in Response to a Globalized Security Industry

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Security Industry is Consolidating
1990s – beginning of rapid global consolidation

Group 4 Securicor acquisitions:

1991
• IMS (Belgium)

1993
• ISS security business
• EWWS Group (Austria & Canada)

1995
• Shorrock Guards (UK)
• Trygghetssentralen (Norway)
• Partena Security (Sweden)
• Falken (Norway)

1997
• New Century (US)
• Two firms (Finland)

1998
• SIMIS (Germany)
• Sezam (Poland)
• AS ESS (Estonia)

1999
• Nederlandse V. (Netherlands)
• UAB Gelvora (Lithuania)

2000
• ADS (Germany)
• SOS (Austria)
• SPAC (Finland)
• BOS (Czech Republic)
• Unikey (Norway)
• Banktech (Hungary)
Global Market Share: 2004

Top 6 Companies: 20%
Remaining Companies: 80%
Global Security Companies

**Group 4 Securicor** (UK)
- 420,000 employees
- 100+ countries
- €6B in annual revenues

**Brinks** (US)
- 45,000 employees
- 130 countries
- €2B in annual revenues

**Securitas** (Sweden)
- 217,000 employees
- 21 countries
- €7B in annual revenues
Global Security Companies

- PROSEGUR: 13 Countries
- RENTOKIL INITIAL: 43 Countries
- SECOM: 11 Countries
- GROUP 4 SECURICOR: 100+ Countries
- UTC CHUBB: 17 Countries
- SECURITAS: 21 Countries
Global Cleaning Contractors

- OCS GROUP: 40+ Countries
- HECTAS: 7 Countries
- SERVICEMASTER: 14 Countries
- ISS: 43 Countries
- RENTOKIL INITIAL: 40+ Countries
Borders Are Fading, Multinationals Are Growing
Many officers live in poverty

Warsaw
- Officers earn minimum wage (5 zloty per hour)

Rent + Utilities: 1,000 zloty

Monthly FT Pay: 890 zloty
Pay from 2\textsuperscript{nd} Job: 300 zloty \quad \rightarrow \quad 1,200 zloty

After housing costs, officers have only 200 zloty or \textbf{7 zloty per day (US$2.13)}
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Hamburg

- 6.10 € per hour
Hamburg Officers in Poverty

Security Officers' Income vs. Minimum Income Standards (Gross Monthly Income)

- Minimum Income for Debt Collection: 1.360 €
- Security Officer (40 hrs/week) (2006): 1.057 €
Wachleute klagen über Armutslohn

Gewerkschaft verhandelt besserer Entgelt. Die Branchenfirmen versuchen sich Kunden durch hohe Preise zu erobern.

Mit Sicherheit verdienen wir mehr!

[Image of security guards]

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Global companies require global organizing and global unions.