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Dear Ms. Caffarell,

The recent announcement of a plan aiming at reorganizing the workforce in RTVE by suppressing 3.133 permanent jobs and terminating around 1.300 fixed-term contracts is of great concern to Journalists throughout Europe.

We are afraid the outcome would be a great damage to the important role of public broadcasting in an audiovisual landscape which is more and more dominated by private interests.

The defence of the public service broadcasting is a major objective to guarantee the democratic, civil and educational values and the cultural diversity in Finland, in Spain and in all of Europe. Many citizens demand a public broadcasting with a secure future as a medium of communication at the service of the whole population.

The Spanish Parliament will be discussing the legal framework regulating the activity of RTVE, another step after the drafting of a report by the Group of Experts. We kindly ask you to wait for the definitive result of that debate before taking any measure affecting the future of RTVE.

We strongly believe that any restructuring affecting the future of the public service broadcasting should be the result of a process of negotiation and consensus with the representatives of the workers.

We express our solidarity with the unions and the workers of RTVE, worried about the future of the company and their working places.

With Kind Regards,  
The Union of Journalists in Finland

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