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Zijin mine workers protest in Bor, Serbia

Demanding better working conditions, a group of some 50 Chinese employees of the Zidjin company working on the Cukaru Peki copper mine staged a protest in front of the company headquarters in the city of Bor, Serbia.

The protesters said they had been working on the construction of a waste site without a break since April, adding that their dormitories had no heating, that the food was bad and that they were not allowed enough drinking water. They added that they are not allowed out to the city of Bor and feel like prisoners.

“This is embarrassing for China. We have come to Europe to embarrass our country, we are ashamed,” a letter by the protesters said adding that they would file charges against Zidjin once they return home. They said that their salaries are being paid in China which one man said was being done to avoid paying taxes on their wages in Serbia. The protesters said that some of them work for more than 250 hours a month and are paid 700 Euro.

The protest ended without an agreement with the company and a new protest has been called.

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