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To: Polish Teachers' Union (ZNP)

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Subject: Latvian Trade Union of Education and Science Employees (LIZDA) supports Polish teachers' in their fair demands for salary raise

The Latvian Trade Union of Education and Science Employees (LIZDA) represents more than 24 000 education employees in Latvia. LIZDA is an official social partner in education at government level. LIZDA is a member of European Trade Union Committee of Education (ETUCE).

With this letter LIZDA joins fair demands put forward by the Polish Teachers' Union to provide decent working conditions and to increase teachers' salary in Poland.

LIZDA expresses its concerns that the Polish government didn't succeed in working out compromise solutions proposed by the trade union, and the indefinite strike started on April 8, 2019.

On the part of Latvian education employees, LIZDA expresses support and solidarity with teachers in Poland. LIZDA is of opinion that welfare and high quality of education depends on decent working conditions, including decent salary for education personnel. We join you in your motto – "***It all starts with a good teacher!***" It is important to achieve decent and competitive salary for education personnel in comparison with other intellectual professions. Teachers' salary has to be in balance with work, duties and responsibilities which are undertaken when educating and bringing up the future generation of Poland.

We send you our best wishes, perseverance and patience and express our sincere support and solidarity.

LIZDA has addressed its concerns also to the Polish Ministry of National Education and the Prime Minister.

Best wishes and expressions of our sincere support,

President

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