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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Hungarian Trade Union Confederation we express our full solidarity with the committed fight of Polish teachers and education staff for decent remuneration and working conditions.

We follow with deep sympathy and close attention your endeavour to find acceptable and lasting solution through negotiations with the Polish Government. We stand with the organisers of this industrial action involving almost 600.000 workers in public education. We stand in solidarity with the Polish Teachers Union (ZNP) and other unions who demand a real recognition of the precious work of those who do their utmost for the education of the next generations. Teachers and education workers deserve decent wages!

Our Hungarian experiences clearly prove that sustainable solutions to the challenges of quality public services as public education can only be found through meaningful social dialogue. Governments can not avoid negotiating with respective trade unions and must listen to workers' voice. Only through mutually acceptable agreements can real solutions be found. Trade union representatives, with full authority by their members are indispensable part of the solution – and not enemies!

The Hungarian Trade Union Confederation (MASZSZ) wish our Polish colleagues strength, steadfastness and successes in you fight!

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