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To: Colleagues in Denmark

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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the over 300,000 members, the National Education Union – NUT Section supports the struggle of Danish workers and trade unions for a fair wage growth for public sector workers. We support your demand for better working conditions and for teachers working hours to be regulated by collective agreement.

We condemn the employers' threat to lockout 90% of state employees and 50 % of municipal employees. Particularly in a country which rightly prides itself as a model of social dialogue and collective bargaining. This is very aggressive and represents a complete overreaction to the notice of a limited strike of only 10% of public workers.

Danish authorities must live up to their responsibilities and support free negotiations. We expect the Danish government to bear in mind the criticism from the ILO after the lockout of the Danish teachers in 2013 and act accordingly.

We reiterate our wholehearted solidarity and support.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine Blower".

Christine Blower
International Secretary

cc: Danish National Federation of Early Childhood and Youth Educators, BUPL
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