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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Solidarity with Public Administration Workers in Portugal on 8th November

Hereby we express our full solidarity with public administration workers in Portugal and their national strike on 8th November. Public Services International and its 20 million members of public service workers from all over the world stand by you in your struggle for decent salaries, pensions and working hours.

The Portuguese government is blatantly using austerity as an excuse for attacking workers' rights, cutting down social benefits and guarantees, pushing thousands into precarious employment, dismissing workers and raising taxes on labour all at the same time.

Whereas the rich are kept out of the eye of the storm, low-wage earners are bearing the brunt of the all-out financial raid the government is pursuing.

PSI salutes your commitment and urgent call for a radical change in national policies, striking to disclaim a policy that robs workers and is ruining the country, and demanding the resignation of the government. Workers' rights and democracy have to replace lies and cleptocracy!

In solidarity,

Rosa Pavanelli
General Secretary