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Dear Grigoris and Kostas,

ETUC European Day of Action and Solidarity

We write on behalf of the NASUWT, the largest teachers' union in the United Kingdom to express our solidarity with you and your members in advance of the ETUC European Day of Action and Solidarity.

The issues on which you are making a stand are the same as those the NASUWT and its members are campaigning against here in the UK. Austerity, reductions in job security and unreasonable working conditions are sadly common features of working life for teachers across Europe and beyond.

The dramatic deterioration of the social and economic situation in Greece caused by the austerity agenda, labour market reforms and recent revised budget is inflicting further suffering on already impoverished Greek workers, pensioners and families.

The NASUWT believes that by standing shoulder to shoulder, teachers' unions across the world are stronger and better able to stand up for our members and for the rights and entitlements of children and young people.

You may rely on our continued assistance and solidarity in your continuing campaign for the rights of teachers and students.

Yours sincerely

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