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Industrial Workers of the World

An Injury To One - Is An Injury To All!

# GENERAL STRIKE!

## SOLIDARITY WITH PUBLIC SECTOR WORKERS!

One of the largest Public Sector strikes in the North of Ireland will take place on Thursday 18th of January 2024.

Over the past number of years, our public sector workers have been fighting for better pay and conditions in our schools, our hospitals and our transport sectors. On the streets and picket lines, demanding what they rightfully deserve. In turn, the trade union movement under the umbrella of NIC-ICTU, have now called for a co-ordinated one-day strike with all Public Sector workers.

This follows on from successive periods of industrial actions where workers demands have been repeatedly ignored by the British Secretary of State and Stormont politicians. All of who, have been receiving their wages despite the fact that this dysfunctional northern parliament hasn't even being in opened.

For revolutionary syndicalists, we believe strike action must be supported and that workers demands are immediately addressed.

We have witnessed workers demands being continually sidelined, held up or used as pawns in the brinkmanship of British/Irish sectarian politics. This behaviour is unacceptable, while workers are forced "to tighten our belts" during an economic crisis not witnessed on both islands for decades.

In supporting one-day strike action by NIC-ICTU on **January 18th**, the IWW fully supports the demands of the trade union movement at this time.

A spokesperson for the IWW Ireland branch said "The Industrial Workers of the World extends its solidarity with our Public Sector Workers. We echo the calls by NIC-ICTU and for the demands of workers to be immediately addressed. It is our belief that the demands of workers can only be addressed and won on the streets and on the picket lines. Not by factional party politics, electoral opportunism or their parliaments but through direct action by the workers themselves.

"The all-out, one day strike action by workers on **Thursday 18th January** must be seen as only the beginning of widespread industrial action. As unionised workers we have the strength and the power to take it further until all our demands are fully met.

"IWW members will be attending co-ordinated rallies on **Thursday 18th January** throughout the north, and many will also be on strike action. In advance of this historic action, we call upon everyone to help show their support for our schools, hospitals



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**#UnioniseTheFight**

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and transport workers. To come out and attend the picket lines and rallies where you live. Make placards and banners to express our solidarity with all our public sector workers at this time.

"Undoubtedly, many workers who are already considering taking on the bosses for better pay and conditions wherever they work, will also be watching on. Maybe they are not even unionised at this time, but will also be watching on at this unprecedented strike action. Knowing that a victory for public sector workers can be a victory for them to also unionise and fight.

"We know that their victory will be a victory for all our class let alone our education, our health and transport sectors. As unionised workers, we have the strength and solidarity to win."

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# BLOODY SUNDAY MARCH FOR JUSTICE

This year marks the 52nd anniversary of Bloody Sunday, which took place on 30th January 1972. It will be commemorated in Derry with a programme of events culminating in the annual march from the Creggan to the Bogside.

On this years annual poster are the names of children from all over the world who have died at the hands of the state. The first name is that of Gerald Donaghey, who was 17 when he was murdered by the British Army on Bloody Sunday. His image also forms part of the design.

Gerald's niece Geraldine Doherty describes the poster as "a powerful reminder that from Derry to Gaza injustice is all around, but that

resistance to it is everywhere too."

The colours chosen are an act of solidarity and sorrow at the ongoing genocide in Gaza, where Israel has murdered over 7000 children since Oct 7, though thousands more died before that.

The annual Bloody Sunday March for Justice will be attended by many of the families as well as many justice and human rights groups to show their solidarity and to help highlight their fight.

The IWW will have a presence on the march and call upon trade unionists to attend to show their solidarity as the march for justice continues.



**MARCH FOR JUSTICE SUNDAY 28TH JAN 2024 BLOODY SUNDAY CREGGAN SHOPS 2.30PM WWW.BLOODYSUNDAYMARCH.ORG**

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## DERRY RADICAL BOOKFAIR 2024

The Industrial Workers of the World will be at forthcoming Derry Radical Bookfair 2024 in Derry's Bogside ahead of the Bloody Sunday March for Justice week of events.

A spokesperson for the IWW Derry group said that "As part of this year bookfair talks the IWW will play host to a discussion on **Every Worker Needs A Union**. The talk will be presented by an IWW workplace organiser and followed by a Q&A session.

"We will also host our annual bookfair stall so please come along and join us for a chat, pick up some wobble goodies and even attend the annual Bloody Sunday March for Justice commemoration on the following day."

For those wishing to attend the Derry Radical

Bookfair, it will take place on Saturday 27th January 2024 at the Pilots Row Community Centre in Rossville Street, Derry from 12-5pm.

Organisers of the event have welcomed its return stating "The Radical Bookfair has grown both in name and in numbers making it an important annual political event on the calendar for many. Throughout the day, we host a broad range of stalls from a local or national interest, on feminism or queer politics, to republicanism, Marxism and of course anarchism. Likewise we also have a great mixture of book launches, talks or discussions which complement the book and information stalls presented."

For more details please visit [derryradicalbookfair.wordpress.com](http://derryradicalbookfair.wordpress.com)

## Labour Movement Solidarity with BDS

Trade unionists across the world remain strong in their opposition to the Israeli regime and their war on the people of Palestine. In Melbourne, Australia unions continue to disrupt Israeli goods as protests at a number of posts gather strength in opposing the ongoing Gaza genocide.

A spokesperson from the Industrial Workers of the World, Ireland Branch said that "It is vital that we all continue to engage with the BDS movement, locally, nationally or globally. It's another form of grassroots direct action against the war and genocide of the Israeli regime. We can be actively boycotting Israeli goods in our homes, our communities and our place of work.

"As we have seen with the racist apartheid

regime in South Africa. The international boycott campaign proved to be an essential part of bringing that racist regime to an end. That movement was supported directly by the IWW and the international labour movement of which our members are part of.

"Likewise today we must continue to encourage and actively support the ongoing work of the BDS movement internationally and demand an end to the apartheid regime of Israel, occupation of Palestine and an immediate end to the unfolding genocide before our very eyes."

#bdsmovement #IWW #stopthegenocide #StopIsraeliGenocide #EndIsraeliApartheid #endtheoccupation #supportbdsmovement

**END THE OCCUPATION! STOP THE GENOCIDE!**

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