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Prime Minister Pedro Passos Coelho

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Dear Prime Minister,

Läraryrket (Swedish Teachers' Union) with 230 000 members at all levels of education is concerned by the proposal of the Portuguese government to dismiss thousands of teachers and leave them without any support within 18 months after losing their job.

We have learnt from our Portuguese colleagues and from the European Trade Union Committee for Education (ETUCE) that the provision of education in Portugal is in peril as funding is cut and schools are closed down. This proposal, in addition to the severe budget cuts and reductions of teachers' salaries, will inevitably damage quality in education and have adverse social effects.

Läraryrket supports the just struggle of the Portuguese teachers' organisations and urges the Portuguese government to invest in education and to immediately reverse all unjust austerity measures.

Yours sincerely,
LÄRARYRKET (Swedish Teachers' Union)



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Läraryrket (Swedish Teachers' Union) is a professional trade union for teachers and heads of schools with 230 000 members at all levels of education. Läraryrket is the largest teachers' organisation in Sweden and promotes quality development of education and the teaching profession.

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