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Dear Carlos,

Dear colleagues,

We have received your letter to the Secretary General of CESP in which you inform the members of CESP about ASFIC/PJ going on strike on the 24th of November and about your demands concerning the measures planned by Portuguese Government which will hit especially the state servants and the police officers at Portugal.

Although we can understand any government trying to find measures to struggle against the effects of the economic crisis, we fully share your opinion that cuts especially for the state servants and the police forces are unjustified and extremely unfair. Every government should take into account that it is the police officer – and no one else - who risks his life every day for the freedom and safety of society. Therefore it should be obvious that people doing this hard work receive a salary which allows them and their families to live a life in dignity and without financial problems. It's a shame if police officers are forced to join a second job outside the police to reorganise their family budgets. If a state is not willing to pay such a salary it should be no discussion that a



second professional activity has to be allowed, even we regard a regulation like this not as the right way to solve the problem. Only a fair structure of salaries and promotions is doing justice to the hard daily work of police and criminal investigation officers !

Please be assured of our full solidarity for your struggle. The BDK will always be at the side of his fellow-unions. Please tell us if we can do anything special for you at the moment. I would be grateful if you could keep us informed about the on-going of your measures.

With my best union regards

Klaus Jansen  
President of BDK