



Hotel-Tourism-Catering Workers PAME Secretariat



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Greece on Strike!

On November 12, Greece went on General Strike Against the memorandum and the antiworkers policies of the Government of SYRIZA. This was an initiative of PAME, the class trade union movement of Greece and gave an important response to the plans of the capitalists. The same day the trade unions of workers in Tourism, Catering and Hotels gathered thousands of workers in their rallies and joined the huge demonstrations of PAME in more than 70 cities all over Greece.

Tourism on Strike!

PAME secretariat of workers in Tourism, Catering, Hotels and its trade unions organized general assemblies, meetings and discussions with the majority of the hotel workers, especially in big hotels. They used all means to inform about the anti workers' measures of the Government and the need to give militant response. They revealed the role of Obstacles by employers' trade unionism, who did nothing to inform about the strike and prepare it. They created obstacles in the informing of the workers.



Strike Report from Trade Unions in Hotels, Tourism and Catering

The preparation of the strike was not an easy task. In Athens, before the strike, more than 15 trade unions in big hotels-members of PAME-along with the branch trade union of workers in Hotels, Tourism and Catering of Attica discussed and planned on how they will organize the strike. Each trade union in its own hotel, each trade unionist in his own area of responsibility.





We decided to fight in order to live with dignity. We have rights and demands which we claim.

1. **Signing of Collective Contracts based on workers needs**
2. **Full time - steady jobs with complete and constant employment.**
3. **Reduction of working time to 35 hours with 7 hours per day, 5 days per week.**
4. **Minimal composition of personnel and duties determination.**
5. **Cancelation of all anti workers legislation, and all laws that abolish workers rights in social security.**
6. **Health and Safety regulations.**



The trade unionists of PAME took up the responsibility to protect the strike, to organize picketlines from early morning on November 12. To fight till the last minute for the participation of the workers in the strike. To discuss, support and convince those who were afraid.

The result was that 2 of the biggest hotels in Athens operated with shut departments since all workers decided to strike. In many more hotels, workers joined the strike in big numbers and met at the enormous rally of PAME.

The next days, the trade unions of PAME in Hotels, Tourism and Catering will organize meetings to discuss the experience and the steps they made in the preparation of the November 12 Strike, as well as to prepare their next actions

