



Air Traffic Controllers European Unions Coordination

WHO ARE WE?

➤ **European Air Traffic Controllers European Unions Coordination (ATCEUC)** was created in 1989 and is currently composed of 32 professional and autonomous trade unions representing more than 14000 Air Traffic Controllers and Air Traffic Safety Engineering Personnel throughout Europe. ATCEUC is a recognised social partner in air traffic management



➤ **European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF)** represents more than 386,000 civil aviation workers from 81 trade unions located in 42 European countries. We are a recognized social partner and the only representative of aviation workers across all subsectors: air traffic management, aircrew, ground handling, etc.



➤ **The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)** has a membership of around 700 unions representing over 16 million transport workers from some 150 countries. Any independent trade union with members in the transport industry is eligible for ITF membership.



THE EU WANTS TO TAKE OUR RIGHT TO STRIKE!

SIGN OUR PETITION & SUPPORT OUR CAMPAIGN

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THE ISSUE: The European Commission wants to attack the right to strike for workers in air traffic management. Last year, it issued a Communication recommending that Member States adopt several anti-strike measures: the so-called minimum service level; early individual notification; and protection of 100% of overflights. As a matter of fact, the Commission wants to impose its own vision of the right to strike.

STOP ATTACKING WORKERS' RIGHTS!

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WHAT IS WRONG WITH THAT?

No one likes delays and cancellations, but strikes are not the problem. Industrial action by air traffic management staff causes less than 1% of flight delays in Europe. Airlines are responsible for over half.

Strike is a fundamental right recognised at global and European levels. It must be protected. And the EU has no power on strike rules anyway. These proposals go far beyond the Commission's competencies and invade the national sovereignty of Member States. The only real way to avoid conflicts is to promote well-functioning social dialogue everywhere.

Safety is our first priority and must remain the EU's first priority. Attacking the right to strike could compromise passenger safety in countries where industrial action is the only way for

workers to change aviation safety processes. European aviation is the safest mode of transport and absolutely has to remain as such.

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

The Commission's role is to anticipate the changes provoked by the increasing numbers of flights and passengers. They should build a safe, stable future for the industry. Attacking the right to strike does none of this.

If the European Commission gets away with this attack on our fundamental rights, who will be next? It could be any other category of workers.

At national level, employers and workers should find solutions, complementary to national rules, to protect and adapt the right to strike.

OUR DEMAND: A MAXIMUM SAFE SERVICE

As opposed to the Commissions' minimum service, we want a maximum safe service. That means decent and stable jobs, functioning social dialogue and guaranteed collective workers' rights. This will all contribute to a reliable and safe European aviation.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

Help us to raise our voice – for decent work and safer skies. Organise gatherings, meetings, lobbying at national level to raise awareness of our campaign. Denounce the scandalous attitude of the Commission, which only listens to the voice of some airlines. And also sign our petition calling on the European Commission:

- to respect the rights of air traffic management staff enshrined in the Treaties and the Charter of Fundamental rights;
- to refrain from any actions restricting these rights;
- to stop attacking workers.

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