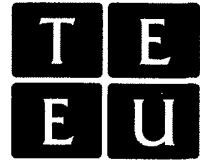


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For the URGENT attention of:
Trades Councils Nationally, all Unions,
TEEU FTO's, Branches and Shop Stewards.

**National Rally & March for Justice in Support of the TEEU Strike at Green Isle
Foods, Naas – Now 6 Months Without Progress**
12 noon, Sat. 27th February 2010 – Meet at Storm Cinema Car Park, Naas

Dear Colleagues,

Green Isle Foods Limited Naas, last summer, wrongfully dismissed three members and our other members at the company have been out on strike in support since the 31st August 2009.

The company has:

- Refused to meet with the Union to discuss the matter
- Refused to go to the Labour Relations Commission
- Refused to go to the Labour Court
- Refused to engage in discussions at the National Implementation Body (NIB) through the Department of the Taoiseach.

The Labour Court heard the case submitted by the TEEU on the 4th December 2009:

- a) ***Issued a preliminary recommendation that the parties negotiated a settlement, through an intermediary if necessary and if no resolution can be found revert to the Labour Court who will issue a further Recommendation.***

The company refused to engage through IBEC or any other third party.

- b) The Court issued a further Recommendation on the 5th January 2010:
The Court believes that the appropriate redress in this case is that the workers be reinstated without loss of pay and the Court so recommends.

The management continue to refuse to accept the Labour Court Recommendation or engage in any process to resolve the dispute.

Through insufferable frustration the striking workers have decided to embark on a Hunger Strike. Starting on Wednesday 17th February the Electrical Shop Steward will commence the Hunger Strike outside the plant. He will be joined by another striker one week later, then another and so on, to heighten awareness of their long running dispute and to secure the reinstatement of their wrongly dismissed colleagues.

We are asking all available trade unionists to come to Naas on Saturday, 27 February and support the Rally & March for Justice. So, please spread the word, maximise support for the unfairly dismissed workers.

It's Green Isle Workers today and potentially many other workers tomorrow.

There is additional information on the attached NOTICE that should be brought to the attention of as many Branches, activists and workers as possible.

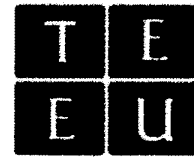
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15th February 2010



NOTICE



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The Labour Court has urged the reinstatement of the workers wrongly dismissed.

BACKGROUND

The TEEU is in official dispute with Green Isle Foods, Naas since August 2009. This dispute is to have three wrongfully dismissed members reinstated.

- *Management at Green Isle still refuses to engage with the TEEU, LRC, NIB, or accept the Labour Court Recommendation that states: **The dismissals were unjustified and called for the reinstatement of the dismissed workers.***
- *This is despite the company having accepted Irish State Aid to the tune of **€43,000,000.00***
- ***The ICTU has granted the Congress All-out Picket**, while British strike breakers have left the company after being arrested for public disorder offences including serious assault, Irish scabs hired by Green Isle through recruitment agencies have replaced them since.*

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NATION RALLY & DAY OF PROTEST – 27 February 2010

To raise awareness of the management's injustice, and to show support for the workers involved, the Kildare Council of Trades Unions is organising a Rally & Protest March on Saturday 27th February 2010. Meet 12 noon at the Storm Cinema Car Park and march to the Green Isle Factory.

It is essential that all available trade unionists their friends and families turn up to show their support for our members and their families who are showing tremendous bravery and resilience in their pursuit of fairness for our sacked members. Not only have they lost out financially but constantly face being passed by staff, self-righteous management and smug scabs.

Trades Councils & Union Branches all around the Country are pledging their support for the March for Justice as have a great many musicians, so please come along and show your support - the craic will be mighty

These workers have mounting bills to pay after six months on strike and because of this they are under intense financial and psychological strain. So, please forwarded a donation to the TEEU marked Strike Fund all donations will be gratefully received and receipted.

I look forward to your support on the day.

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Green Isle Foods products include:
Pizza - Goodfellas & San Marco brands
Pastry - A range of filled savoury pastries
Fish - Donegal Catch brand:
Vegetables & Potato Products

Unity is strength – Workers United will Never be Defeated

