INTO congratulates our members on their stalwart support for the continuing action against the ongoing attacks on the education system arising from the savage cuts to the education sector.

INTO members continue to be on industrial action in relation to three areas:

- PAY AND CONDITIONS
- Assessment
- Workload

In relation to PAY AND CONDITIONS INTO members are to continue with Action Short of Strike Action. Therefore, from Monday 4th September 2017, until notified to the contrary, INTO members are instructed to:

Withdraw their co-operation from The Education and Training Inspectorate. Members are directed not to participate or co-operate in any manner with any scheduled inspections, surveys or other forms of assessment conducted by the ETI. In addition this action will include non-cooperation with school inspectors who visit the school for any purpose. Members are instructed not to provide any cumulative or summative data, or documentation of any kind to the ETI during this action.

INTO members should withdraw from voluntary roles as Associate Inspectors in support of the Education Inspectorate.

INTO’s mandate secured in the Ballot of December 2016 for Strike Action remains in place. Whilst INTO remain engaged with Management Side in an attempt to resolve outstanding issues in relation to teachers’ pay, INTO reserves the right to revert to Strike Action should the need arise.

All INTO members are urged to engage in Strike Action when called for by Northern Committee and to make their views clearly visible through empty schools, pickets on school gates and the presence of large numbers of INTO members at events across Northern Ireland.

All INTO members are urged to engage fully in any half-day strike called by Northern Committee.

The consequences of inaction or complacency will be that teachers will continue to be undervalued and underpaid for the vital contribution they make to the lives of the young people in their care. In addition INTO members must not become an easy target for the anti-Trade Union media who will delight in identifying schools that are not participating fully in the industrial action.

Any change to this industrial action will be communicated to members immediately.

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