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About 100,000 civil servants and others, including junior doctors at NHS, remain in a long-running dispute over pay, pension and job security.

Meanwhile, the U.K. government says it has agreed to "intensive talks" on teacher pay and classroom sizes with an estimated 200,000 teachers in England and Wales, who hit picket lines this week for a three-day strike action. Teachers were among tens of thousands of people who marched through the streets of London earlier this week.

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