

Another Strike Hits French Educational System



Paris, November 26 (RHC)-- Another strike has hit France's education system, this time by assistants for disabled students. According to media reports from Paris, protesters denounced their lack of pay and work stability, their main demand being an end to their second-tier, non-guaranteed work contracts, which put them at a major disadvantage in society.

The vast majority of French workers receive long-term contracts, which give workers a stable present and a protected future, but the main goal of so-called labor reforms is to devalue these guaranteed contracts into short-term or part-time jobs.

The strikers were also appalled by the reported contents of a French-German economic roadmap to be unveiled this week, which will supposedly propose a vast rollout of these short-term, part-time jobs as well as three years of wage freezes.

Recently, the entire educational system of France's poorest department staged a strike against the Socialist government's austerity measures.

The industrial action, which hit Seine-Saint-Denis just north of Paris, marked a protest against President Francois Hollande's "Responsibility Pact," which has cut taxes on businesses in exchange for employers' commitment to job creation.

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