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PENSIONS – JOINT UNION ACTION ON 30 NOVEMBER

Following a historic announcement at TUC Congress on 14 September, a national day of strike action is now planned for Wednesday 30 November 2011. Unison, Unite and the GMB have all announced that they will ballot their members for strike action on pensions. As many as 14 unions could now strike on 30 November.

The Government has time and again refused to listen to the growing anger about proposed changes to public sector pensions. The NUT will be giving its full support to the TUC-led day of action on 30 November.

The Government has given us, and the other unions taking part, no other option. Our ballot result from June 2011 means we can strike on 30 November without balloting members again.

Joint union lobby on pensions – Wednesday 26 October

In addition, the joint union campaign against pension cuts is taking the unprecedented step of organising a joint lobby of Parliament on Wednesday 26 October 2011.

We hope that at least one representative from every school and college in England and Wales will attend. Many schools have already held meetings to sign the joint union petition and elect their representative to attend the lobby. Do go along to any meeting called in your workplace if you can.

For more information on the pensions lobby, to download the joint union petition and to register attendance go to www.decentpensions.org.uk. Keep up to date with the NUT's pensions campaign at www.teachers.org.uk/pensions

Christine Blower, General Secretary of the NUT, says: "We must stand together and defend our pensions. Now is the time. United we can win."

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