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Strike ballot announced for ISS workers at several government departments

PCS is running a strike ballot from 26 September for cleaners, post room staff, porters, catering and reception staff employed by multinational ISS who work in several government departments.

Our members are demanding increases in pay and improvements to terms and conditions to end the two-tier workforce with staff directly employed by the civil service in the buildings where they work on superior pay and terms and conditions.

ISS, failed to make any offer in response to the workers claims of these workers at Old Admiralty (Department for Business and Trade), 10 Victoria Street (Department for Science Innovation and Technology an Cabinet Office), 22-26 Whitehall (DSIT) and 8 Salisbury Square (the Competition Appeal Tribunal and the Competition Service, an agency of DBT).

The Department for Business and Trade, whose secretary of state Jonathan Reynolds is responsible for the flagship Employment Rights Bill, is now facing possible strikes should members vote for industrial action in the ballot which runs until 14 October.

Our members are clear – they will not be treated as second-class workers.

PCS will continue to demand that the UK Government delivers on its commitment to “bring about the biggest wave of insourcing in a generation”.