

# International Support

Messages of support have flooded in from around the world for locked out Qantas workers and the travelling public. Unions have decided to take action in airports to support Qantas families in their struggle for job security and fair pay.

“Joyce’s lock-out will cripple Qantas and damage working families in Australia as well as Qantas airline workers around the world. We stand with our brothers and sisters Down Under. We demand this CEO stop his war on workers, passengers, the public, and the company’s performance.”

- James Hoffa, Teamsters  
General President, Oct 30th, 2011

“As a member of the World Civil Aviation Section of the International Transport Workers Federation, I come to show support for Qantas workers in solidarity actions at our airports, especially in Guarulhos/Sao Paulo.”

- Francisco Lemos, President, SINA, Brazil



Workers from Teamsters LOCAL 911 AND 2010 PROTEST AT LA AIRPORT over lockout of workers

“Qantas Workers can count with the support of all aviation workers around the world, and specially with the OneWorld workers network.”

- Arlette Gay Schifferli  
President of the LAN Chile Cabin Crew Union

“We would like to inform you that the Philippine Airlines Employees Association (PALEA) and Partido ng Manggagawa (Labor Party) will hold a solidarity action both at the Qantas office and Australian embassy on Monday.”

- Gerry Rivera, PALEA president, Philippines

“Aviation workers in India will present a petition in support of Qantas workers and demonstrate outside the Australian consul general in Mumbai India on Monday.”

- Mahendra Sharma, Asia/Pacific Regional Secretary,  
International Transport Workers Federation

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## Bully holds country to ransom. We will force them to negotiate.

Alan Joyce’s decision to wage industrial war with his own staff has had dire consequences for travellers, investors, workers and the Australian economy.

Correspondence and notices from Qantas management show that this has been a planned campaign called ‘Project Other’ and that the Qantas board chose not to notify the government, the passengers or workers that it was going to strand over 80,000 passengers around the world.

Not only has Alan Joyce trashed the reputation of Qantas and the onward bookings but he has also decided to hold the country to ransom.

Now that Fair Work Australia has intervened both parties have 21 days to negotiate an outcome. Now Qantas will be forced to negotiate or else Fair Work Australia will arbitrate an outcome on their behalf. The TWU’s focus and priorities have not changed:

- ✓ Job Security for Australian workers
- ✓ Quality Australian Jobs
- ✓ Fair Wage Increases

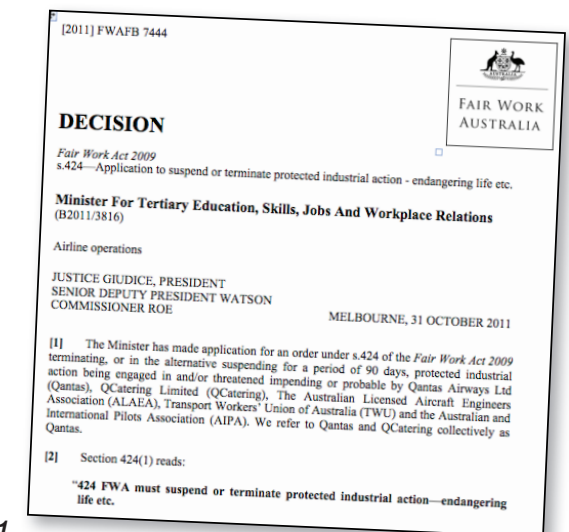
The Transport Workers Union will pursue a negotiation lockdown to force Qantas management to reach an outcome with its workforce. If the Qantas board want to hold the country to ransom to get a resolution to this dispute then they will have to participate in true negotiations with the union.

## What has Fair Work Australia said?

Qantas reputation continues to be damaged after their extreme industrial action.

It is unlikely that the protected industrial action taken by the three unions, even taken together, is threatening to cause significant damage to the tourism and air transport industries. The response industrial action of which Qantas has given notice, if taken, threatens to cause significant damage to the tourism and air transport industries and indirectly to industry generally because of the effect on consumers of air passenger and cargo services.

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## What can we do right now?

The travelling public have been urged to write an email to Joyce against their extreme actions to hold the Australian economy to ransom.

You can do all these things and sign up to the campaign by going to:

[www.twu.com.au](http://www.twu.com.au)

The national delegate negotiating committee will be organising to meet very soon to force Qantas to negotiate. If you require more information contact your delegate or organiser



For updates and more information visit [www.twu.com.au/qantas](http://www.twu.com.au/qantas)

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