



IATCA Ireland Statement of Support to NATCA and U.S. Air Traffic Controllers

A chairde dhil, Dear friends,

The Irish Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IATCA Ireland) extends our support and solidarity to our colleagues of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association (NATCA USA), who continue to endure the unacceptable impacts of the U.S. Federal Government shutdown.

You are working under immense pressure, understaffed, without pay, and with uncertainty hanging over your head, all while being used as political leverage. Air traffic control should **always** be about safety and **never** as a political bargaining tool. Despite these challenges, you continue to protect the skies in the USA. You ensure the safety of millions of passengers every single day. Your unwavering professionalism is evident.

The Atlantic Ocean may separate us, but we controllers are united with a shared purpose, a shared responsibility, and a shared identity. We speak the same language of safety and professionalism. Unity is what makes our profession so powerful. **Ní neart go cur le Chéile.**

The Irish Air traffic Controllers stand with our brothers and sisters of NATCA USA and calls on the U.S. Government to end this shutdown immediately.

Le meas agus i dtiomantas,
Yours in solidarity,

IATCA, Ireland