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British film director Ken Loach has voiced support for the miners at the Budryk colliery in Silesia, who have re-launched their strike action over a pay dispute.

Loach announced he intended to contribute to the union's strike fund. In a letter addressed to the protesting miners at Budryk the internationally acclaimed director has written that the struggle serves the interests of workers worldwide.

Ken Loach is known for his involvement in social problems and political activism. His latest work, It's a Free World (2007), portrays the hardship of central and eastern European immigrants in the UK, who arrived there in the wake of Poland's EU entry, working in low paid and unregulated employment.

The state-owned Polish Radio service carried the above report on January 15.