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On Oct. 9, a strike organized by the General Labor Confederation (CGT) commenced in protest of low wages and government economic policies. The protest action was initiated in the capital city and Buenos Aires province. Similar demonstrations are expected to take place in other provinces later this month. According to Cuban news agency PRENSA LATINA, 90% of all workers failed to appear for the afternoon shift in downtown Buenos Aires in order to attend a mass rally. Hospital employees attended emergency cases only, while mail services were wholly discontinued. Telephone workers announced that local long-distance and international calls, as well as phone repairs were interrupted. Next, afternoon classes throughout the public school system in the capital were cancelled. Excepting management, news agency employees were also absent from work. CGT leaders announced that since transportation services were not interrupted, the government could not retaliate against strikers on the grounds that vital services were affected.

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