

Portugal Strike Shuts Hospitals

LISBON, Aug. 13 (AP) — Doctors, demanding higher pay for their services in the national health system, went on strike today in Portugal, leaving only hospital emergency wards open.

The conservative medical association, the Order of Physicians, which declared the action, earlier announced that it would halt routine hospital rounds and keep private and public clinics closed until President Antonio Ramalho Eanes signs a new pay packet into law.

Company clinics and medical insurance claims were also affected by the strike, the third stoppage for the country's northern and southern regions in a month.

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