
Kremikovtzi workers stage protest in central Sofia again

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Sofia echo reported that employees from Bulgaria's bankrupt steel mill Kremikovtzi have staged yet another rally in central Sofia on April 7th 2009, protesting against the cabinet's failure to secure an investor for the steelworks.

As per report, the steelworkers chained their hands, meant to show that they had become slaves of the government, and taped their mouths, because our words are not being heard. Effigies of economy minister Mr Petar Dimitrov and his deputy Ms Nina Radeva were burnt in front of the ministry during the rally.

It may be recalled that the ministry is waiting this week a final reply from Brazilian mining and steelmaking giant CSN concerning a possible coke production deal with Kremikovtzi. Unless a contract is inked soon, state owned gas distribution firm Bulgargaz would stop gas deliveries to Kremikovtzi, which will irreparably damage the coke ovens and cut what is possibly the last lifeline for the steel mill.

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