NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The French government has averted a strike of its French language teachers in Louisiana by granting them a $91 monthly pay boost.

The 174 teachers who came to Louisiana last year to teach their native language had threatened to strike Monday for more money but a spokesman for the French consulate here said they were informed on Sunday that their pay would be raised from $325 to $416. The spokesman said that checks with the areas involved indicated that all had reported for work as usual.

The teachers were sent to Louisiana under an arrangement between the French government and the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana. Nearly 100 were assigned to the Lafayette region of southeast Louisiana, 28 to Monroe, 28 to Baton Rouge and the others in scattered locations.