

Negotiations Alert

Today, the Operations and Delivery Sub-Tables met to discuss major issues, such as staffing, rotation of duties, householder values, health and safety, contracting-in of Group 3 work, and the workload and work rules of Group 2 workers. There was little progress. There is no indication that CPC is prepared to seriously discuss the real problems facing postal workers as a result of inadequate staffing and the introduction of the Modern Post. For CPC management these negotiations are mainly about eliminating sick leave and imposing less pay and benefits on workers.

National Negotiating Committee and National Executive Board to Meet Over the Weekend

Over the weekend the National Negotiating Committee and National Executive Board will meet to evaluate the situation and plan our next move. In this context, the CUPW National Executive Board has decided not to submit a 72-hour strike notice today. Consequently, there will be no strike activity on May 31st. However, given the refusal of CPC management to address our demands, all members should be prepared to participate in strike action in the very near future.

The \$1.4 Billion Fiction

Today it was confirmed that none of the CPC negotiators are prepared to explain how they determined that our demands would result in the creation of 3,000 jobs and cost \$1.4 Billion. It has been confirmed however that CPC's figures were based on many false assumptions.

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