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SLOW AND STEADY PROGRESS

The parties are making progress on some issues. We are continuing to meet with Canada Post and remain determined to achieve our goal of negotiated collective agreements.

Some Success for RSMCs

Today, we were finally able to agree on a process that will allow RSMC route holders and permanent relief employees to utilize their seniority to apply for any vacant route or permanent relief position in the country. RSMCs can now benefit from their dedicated service and transfer to a new location without a 75 km restriction. This is an important step for all RSMCs. We continue to make progress on our seniority demand and will try to finalize the discussions by the end of the week.

Progress for Urban Members

We met with CPC today and continue to work on a solution to resolve the many problems with Group 1 (internal workers) staffing. We will push hard until we agree on a process to improve Group 1 staffing and to protect regular jobs. Talks continue on important health and safety issues, including unwanted overtime for Group 2 and the Short-Term Disability Plan (STDP). Discussions also took place on access to information for letter carrier routes.

Crucial Negotiations For Our Future

As we go about our daily routine, it is easy to forget about how important this round of negotiations is for all postal workers. We have a lot to protect and a lot to gain. This round is about each and every postal worker and we must always remember that. We need to continue to remind our supervisors or local postal officials on a daily basis, that we deserve good collective agreements and that we will all benefit from improved working conditions, wages and benefits.

We Are in This Struggle to the End! Solidarity!

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