

ALERT #3 –

CPC SAYS NO TO GOVERNMENT REQUEST TO EXTEND STRIKE MANDATE

Things are moving quickly. The National Executive Board (NEB) has been meeting since early this morning. The press conference has been postponed until further notice.

Canada Post Refused Extension

Yesterday, the Government proposed that the parties agree to a 24-hour extension of our strike mandate. The NEB agreed to this proposal but Canada Post refused it. How many more times will the Government allow Canada Post management to ignore its requests? The Government also stated that it will appoint a high-profile mediator.

What Now?

Based on Canada Post's refusal to agree to the 24-hour extension of our strike mandate, we have issued our 72-hour notice of strike activity. We will be in a legal strike position as of 11:59 pm Sunday, August 28, 2016. The NEB will inform everyone if, when and what strike activities will occur. Please monitor all communication channels so that you are informed.

Why Issue the 72-Hour Notice?

We never wanted a strike. We wanted to negotiate good collective agreements for all CUPW postal workers. Canada Post did not want to negotiate. Canada Post wanted to force rollbacks and concessions on us. Canada Post has left us no choice. We will stand and fight against rollbacks, for retirement security and for pay equity. We are determined to improve both collective agreements. This is why we have issued our 72-hour notice of strike activity today.

Now is the Time to Stand Our Ground!



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