

STRIKES CONTINUE IN ONTARIO, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

2,600 New Workers on the Picket Lines Today

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Ottawa – Members of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) from the Niagara Falls, Stratford, Owen Sound and Windsor locals in Ontario are the latest group to walk off the job as the fourth week of postal strikes continues. They joined members of the St. John's local in Newfoundland and Labrador, who began striking at 7 pm (NST) yesterday evening.

Members of the Toronto local went back to work this morning at 10 am (ET), except those working in delivery depots. Strikes continued for a second day for members working out of the Nova local in Nova Scotia.

"Canada Post talks the talk but does not walk the walk," says Mike Palecek, CUPW National President. "We will not accept mediocre offers that don't address health and safety, equality, overburdening and overwork. This fight is not over. We will never stop fighting for fair and decent contracts for our members."

The national overtime ban for both of CUPW's major bargaining units at Canada Post also continues. Postal workers, no matter what their job at Canada Post, will not work more than an eight-hour day and not more than a 40-hour week. "Overburdening, overtime and overwork are all major issues in this round of bargaining. Until Canada Post negotiators' address it, we can solve it for ourselves in the meantime," says Palecek.

CUPW members are still without agreements for the Urban Postal Operations and Rural and Suburban Mail Carriers (RSMC) bargaining units after almost a year of negotiations.

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