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Community Picket Lines Set Up in Halifax and Edmonton

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Ottawa – This morning, we were informed that union and community members in Nova Scotia set up picket lines at the Halifax Processing Plant. In solidarity with postal workers, the protest-line allowed workers in, but did not allow mail out for a few hours. A similar action is also being held by at the Edmonton Postal Plant.

This action comes after members from several major unions in British Columbia and Ontario disrupted mail delivery with demonstrations outside processing plants in Richmond, Hamilton and Windsor.

"You cannot legislate labour peace," says CUPW National President Mike Palecek. "There are fifty thousand union members that have been prohibited from picketing at post offices in this country, and three million who haven't. We are not the only ones willing to defend the right of free collective bargaining."

What we're seeing in Halifax and Edmonton today in addition to Vancouver, Windsor and Hamilton this week, is that instead of resolving our dispute with Canada Post, the Trudeau Government has picked a fight with labour. "An injury to one is an injury to all" is much more than a slogan.

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