



Friday will be a big day!

After being pressed for weeks by our bargaining committee to address the many problems in our workplaces, the employer's bargaining committee announced last week that it plans to table a new offer this Friday.

They asked to suspend the bargaining meetings scheduled for last Thursday morning and Wednesday of this week so they could work on finalizing the new offer, which they have described as "important" and "significant." They say it will deal with stabilization of CBC / Radio-Canada's job structure and the status of contract employees.

So the members of our committee will be sitting down at the bargaining table on Friday with great expectations. They have repeatedly explained to management the many problems of work organization, staff retention and workloads caused by the pervasive precariousness that reigns at CBC / Radio-Canada. We can only hope that the employer will draw the same conclusions about the urgent need to stabilize the job structure as have the 2,800 members of our union.

More items to show your true colours

The bargaining committee thanks everyone for the strong support for our initial pressure tactics. The reports from the sections and stations are highly positive: people have been participating, using the background at virtual meetings and even on workstations, and turning videoconferences red with support for our stance. Let's keep it up!

Reusable bottles, thermos cups and caps that show our true colours are now available at all CBC / Radio-Canada stations. Contact your steward to get them and proudly display them in your work environment. (This also applies, of course, to everyone who is working from home.) For environmental and financial reasons, limited quantities have been ordered for the moment, but we will get more as needed.