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Re: Labour Relations Commission/TEEU Strike

Dear Members,

The following is a Press Release re above:

“The parties to these protracted and difficult discussions failed to reach agreement on the Pay Issues set before them. There was a realisation but no success could be achieved by the parties either meeting together or separately with the officers of the LRC (Labour Relations Commission). It has therefore been agreed and decided that the matter be referred by the LRC to the Labour Court for arbitration (Non Binding) Clause 26.1 of the Industrial Relation Act 1990 for its recommendation to the parties to the Dispute.

The AECI has been continuing its protracted discussions here at the Labour Relations Commission. The content of the dispute has serious implications for our Electrical Contractor Members and we have been obliged to protect that interest to our utmost. We were also conscious during these discussions of the necessity for the retention of jobs for all our members and their employees and this weighed heavily in our discussions.

Today’s discussions were greatly hampered by the intrusion of a spokesman for NECI who, it would appear, conceded a 5% increase on the airwaves and was utilized at the discussions to inhibit our Members’ arguments. Discussion and debate, however, did continue and has now ultimately led to the agreed statement of all parties to the dispute as per above. We trust that the Court will now be able to consider the fullness of our arguments and issue a favourable decision in favour of our Contractor’s/ Member’s position.

May we thank all who have assisted in the resolution of this dispute at this juncture particularly all the representatives of the involved parties and particularly the two LRC officials Mr. Kieran Mulvey and Mr. Kevin Foley.”

A further update on the above will be forwarded to you asap.

Yours Sincerely,

Chris Lundy
Executive Secretary