



**The latest bargaining and mobilizing news for OPS members**

## **Employer won't bargain; corrections team asks for "no board" report**

On the heels of an energized all-presidents' meeting last night, your Corrections bargaining team brought a clear and unified message to the table today: **There is a crisis in Corrections. If our employer isn't serious about bargaining, then we're ready to walk.**

We tabled proposals on key issues with a strict deadline. The team's message to the employer was clear: bargain fairly or we start the clock ticking towards a strike.

Despite a raft of ongoing problems in our workplaces and recent eye-popping raises for managers, the employer team refused to treat Corrections members with respect. Instead, they stuck to their one-size-fits-all approach and refused to consider our proposals.

The employer insulted the team and membership by contending that our only objective in bargaining was money. Then they took the standalone collective agreement and interest arbitration off the table.

This is after Corrections Minister Yasir Naqvi [\*\*stood up in the Legislature December 4\*\*](#)

and committed the government to exactly that.

Your bargaining team had no choice but to ask the conciliation officer for a "no board" report. The Ministry of Labour typically issues the report within five business days. The 17th calendar day after the report is issued puts the parties in a legal strike or lockout position.

It's time to get ready.

All local presidents now have information on strike preparation. Further information will follow in the coming days on strike training in the regions.

**It is very important that all members fill out a Form B (strike pay by direct deposit) to receive strike pay.** Please ensure these [\*\*Form Bs\*\*](#) and voided cheques are returned to head office from your locals via the regional offices as soon as possible.

In solidarity,

Your Corrections bargaining team

**Stay informed,  
get involved, and show  
your solidarity.**

**Together, we will  
get a fair and decent  
contract.**

**Don't listen to rumours!**

Table Talk Update is your only official  
communication from the  
Corrections bargaining team.

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**Keep  
up the  
good  
work!**