

Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2016

Subject: National Negotiations/Mediation Update

Sisters and Brothers,

Negotiations were scheduled to be held on January 12th & 13th, 2016. The day of the 12th was again spent discussing Health and Welfare issues. While our coalition believes we've talked enough about this issue and it's time to move on to other issues, the NMB mediators wanted more information from us and the railroads on our respective positions, and they wanted further discussion on the issues. So after a long day on the 12th, ending with the railroads saying they needed more time to review our latest position, the mediators recessed mediation until our scheduled February meetings. The mediators are hopeful that at the February session we'll be able to move on to other issues.

I'll update you again following our February meetings. Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Fraternally,

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