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### **Labour Federation calls on Servisair to get back to the bargaining table**

**Halifax, NS** – Nova Scotia Federation of Labour President Rick Clarke is calling on Servisair to get back to the bargaining table and give the employees it locked out on April 1 fair wages and benefits.

The workers at Stanfield International Airport, members of International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 2797 (IAM), were locked out when they refused to accept a two-year wage freeze.

“Servisair workers are the lowest paid workers in the industry, the last person to perform safety checks on an airplane before takeoff is paid \$9.00 an hour. There is no pension plan and shifts that exceed 16 hours are not uncommon,” said Clarke.

“These workers keep us flying safely, so why does Servisair want to pay them below industry standards and not give them pension and health benefits? They chose instead to bring in scab labour.

“Can this scab labour accurately perform weight and balance calculations necessary to keep the plane flying safely?”

“Servisair needs to do the right thing and give their workers decent wages and benefits in line with the important work they do,” Clarke said in conclusion.

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