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The 2009-2015 NABET-CWA/NBCU Master Agreement expired at midnight last night.

Union and Company negotiators met face-to-face on Monday and Tuesday, and the parties worked past midnight both days, in an effort to reach an overall tentative agreement and conclude these negotiations. While progress was made on a number of issues, we were unable to reach a comprehensive deal on a successor contract.

The NABET-CWA Network Negotiating Committee is meeting in caucus today, evaluating the current status of the negotiations and exploring dates to resume bargaining in the coming weeks. NBC and NABET-CWA are committed to keeping the lines of communication open and returning to the bargaining table at the earliest possible mutually agreeable time.

While the Master Agreement has expired, remember that under existing labor laws, most terms and conditions of the contract remain in effect. Members should continue to report to work as usual.

Your bargaining committee will be communicating with the membership in further detail in the coming days. In the meantime, our unity and solidarity are critically important. Be alert for communications from your Local Mobilization Committee Coordinators, and be prepared to participate and engage as necessary.

Bulletins and other official information concerning these negotiations will be distributed by the Sector and Locals on a regular basis. In the meantime, please ignore all rumors.

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