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TALKS CONTINUE

The mediation process has continued with meetings held every day this week.

What is clear is the Union's massive ballot result and the strength of membership support has influenced the talks and changed the dynamics of the discussions.

In the face of the CWU's successful campaign, the Union's negotiating team are now talking to Royal Mail Group's Senior Management who have the authority to reach settlement.

The talks have been difficult and protracted. The next couple of weeks will be crucial to determine whether a final Agreement can be reached if we are to secure our objective in regards to our Four Pillars of Security and Pay to the point that we can genuinely build a bridge between our current Agreement and the next few years.

As part of the mediation process, the external Mediator is now due to provide a final summary report setting out:

- > A summary of the final position of the parties.
- > The external Mediator's conclusions regarding any points of dispute.
- The Mediator's recommended solution to the issues in dispute.

As the CWU has said from the outset of this process, no High Court Judge or third party Mediator will resolve this dispute, ultimately it is a matter between the CWU and Royal Mail Group. Further talks are expected next week and the Union will continue to vigourously pursue our campaign to secure members' employment, standard of living and retirement security.

YOU PICKED THE RIGHT SIDE

THIS DISPUTE IS FAR FROM OVER, WE WILL CONTINUE CAMPAIGNING
KEEP VOICING YOUR SUPPORT AND WE WILL WIN.

SECURE THE FOUR PILLARS SUPPORT THE CWU