



Postal Workers Urge: Dump DeJoy and the 10-year plan!

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Dear President Fred Rolando,

CC: NALC Executive Board, APWU Executive Board, NRLCA Executive Board, NPMHU Executive Board

Since Louis DeJoy was sworn in as Postmaster General last June, the Postal Service has been under continuous attack. Severe mail delays, the scrapping of machinery, price hikes, and openly corrupt contracting have sabotaged the American people's confidence in the service and undermined our democratic elections. Ignoring public outcry, congressional inquiry, the Office of the Inspector General and the Postal Regulatory Commission, DeJoy's administration has pushed full-speed ahead with a devastating "10-Year Plan" that threatens rural communities, seniors, voters, union workers, veterans, and everyone who depends upon reliable mail service. DeJoy personally profits from the outsourcing of postal work to XPO logistics and other private competitors, while his co-conspirator, business partner, and sitting Chairman of the Postal Board of Governors, Ron Bloom, helped oversee the devastating privatization of the UK's 500-year old Royal Mail. The writing is on the wall for our own treasured public post.

ALL crafts are threatened by these attacks on the service. Pending speedups, proposed controls on wage growth and the destruction of sortation machinery spell cuts, overwork, insult and injury to the nearly 500,000 proud postal workers who move America's mail. Direct outsourcing to privately-managed and staffed "surface transfer centers" threatens union jobs and mail security. And the effects on the mailing public at large will be no less damaging. Some crafts and communities will suffer from DeJoy's policies more quickly or obviously than others. But an injury to one is an injury to ALL.

Americans from all walks of life have raised their voices in protest against this assault. The Denver, Portland, and San Francisco locals of the National Association of Letter Carriers have all passed resolutions calling for DeJoy's resignation or removal. They are joined by 77 public interest groups organized by the Conference on Civil and Human Rights and the Save the Post Office Coalition who demand that Ron Bloom not be reappointed to the Postal Board of Governors. The unanimous decision of the National Presidents Conference of the American Postal Workers Union and the call by dozens of sitting House Representatives for DeJoy's removal add to the chorus demanding a new direction at the Post Office. We must stand in solidarity alongside all the forces fighting to preserve a public postal service which delivers for the American people.

As postal workers and retirees in the NALC, APWU, NRLCA, and NPMHU, as elected officers within our respective unions, as community leaders, as allies and public supporters of the postal service, we urge the national postal unions openly take up the call to remove DeJoy from his position, oppose Ron Bloom's reappointment to the Board of Governors, put a halt to the 10-year plan, fight for new postal leadership committed to the mission of the service, and reaffirm our opposition to all efforts which threaten privatization, cuts, and the undermining of our universal service mandate.

One thing is crystal clear, it takes a postal village to deliver the mail. Therefore, we strongly urge the NALC Executive Board to take immediate concrete steps to mobilize the workforce and postal customers, and to convene a summit of all the postal unions and their supporters to turn the page on this grim chapter in our postal history. Every day that DeJoy and his accomplices are allowed to destroy the USPS piecemeal is an injury to the American people and the postal workforce. It must end today. We call on all postal workers, union locals, and allies to sign this letter and add their comments for the NALC and other union leadership.

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