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Whilst there are numerous examples of why this particular bargaining has been, let's say 'more painful' than in the past, I would like to highlight 2 particular examples:-

Firstly, I cannot believe the amount of lies that DHS has been stating......and then they (as in DHS) expect me to then undertake 'INTEGRITY TRAINING'. As per normal with my experiences with these processes, DHS continually delay commencing 'new discussions' centred around the beginning of a NEW AGREEMENT, knowing full well that the previous agreement is coming to an end – where is the fairness and respect for workers here???? So straight away we are behind and then they (DHS) continue to delay, delay delay......

Secondly, because of how long this process is taking and the continual need to undertake ACTIONs to get DHS to re-commence discussions, there is starting to be animosity amongst workers who are taking part in these ACTIONs and those who are not which you can imagine is creating angst and this is on top of a computer system that has been introduced and other new systems being introduced before they are working properly – so you can see what it is like working within DHS presently.

Thanks

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