



**PUBLIC SECTOR NEGOTIATIONS**

**LET'S ACT NOW FOR EVERYONE**

**In the last few days, the Québec government adopted a series of extraordinary measures to ensure a relentless fight against coronavirus (COVID-19), in the context of the current crisis.**

The CSQ wishes to work closely with the government to identify measures that can be put forward to ensure that the workers get the best working conditions in this important battle to wage, particularly in regard to health and safety.

"We reaffirm our will to collaborate with the government to make sure that our workers are supported by strong and concrete measures, on which they can lean on daily. Consequently, we reach out our hand to negotiate with the Treasury Board, as soon as possible, about the temporary arrangements allowing to postpone the public sector collective agreements after the crisis," states CSQ president Sonia Ethier.

The current context calls for us to be more responsible than ever. Sonia Ethier adds: "In these circumstances, we consider that there is no urgency to negotiate the public sector collective agreements renewal. While we are experiencing an unprecedented public health crisis, it seems inappropriate to discuss and sign

agreements that would bind hundreds of thousands of workers for the next three years. The field staff as well as their union representatives want to dedicate their head and their heart so that we can get through this coronavirus crisis as quickly as possible. Let's show them our solidarity."

It is our collective responsibility. Let's act now.



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