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RMT to strike as LU push ahead with imposition of compressed week

And they refuse to give any comment on what 'voluntary' will truly mean. So ask yourself, why would they rather we strike than make that commitment?

RMT has been clear and consistent since management first unveiled their plan for compressed working and the losses that come with it: we don't want it.

We want a shorter week, but not longer working days.

A referendum and a ballot for industrial action makes our rejection of their 'offer' very clear. Indeed the majority of all drivers voted against what LU initially called a 'take it or leave it offer'.

But that stance didn't last long. Management can see their plan will save them millions of pounds as drivers are forced to increase flexibility and productivity; meaning of course they will need fewer of us.

Our union agreed to postpone strike dates planned back in March, as we wanted to have good faith talks with management. We met with them several times

over the last few weeks. At these meetings and at TFC previously, we listed members concerns about fatiguing shifts and increased handle times, increased tie ins, loss of block annual leave, unknown agreements being ripped up, work life balance concerns around things like line pools and short notice changes to spare duties, and the way that drivers who need to transfer lines, and new drivers, will suffer.

The only concession, or appearance of one, is management's declaration that the offer will be 'voluntary'. But they refuse to give any detail on what it means at all. You have to ask yourself why.

Next week from Tuesday mid-day and Thursday mid-day we will be on strike. This is your opportunity to make clear to LU that we will not allow our agreements to be ripped up or altered in any way that we do not accept. **The time is now. Respect the picket lines.**

STRIKE DATES

Industrial action dates remain in place so if management do not properly engage, members will take action.

All Train Operator, Train Operator (Night Tube) and Instructor Operator members are instructed NOT TO BOOK ON for any shifts that commence between:

12:00 (midday) hours on Tuesday 21st April to 11:59 hours on Wednesday 22nd April

12:00 (midday) hours on Thursday 23rd April to 11:59 hours on Friday 24th April

Also, all Train Operator, Instructor Operator and Train Operator (Night Tube) members are instructed not to use any new company-issued electronic devices from 00:01 hours on Friday 20th March.

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RMT: FOR A SHORTER WORKING WEEK - NOT A LONGER WORKING DAY