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UPDATE

UNION WIN FOR REDUNDANCY CONSULTATIONS

Qantas has backed down on its decision to announce the first wave of redundancies two days before Christmas. It will now begin consultations with the TWU week commencing 11th of January.

This comes with the help of the Fair Work Commission after the TWU filed an urgent dispute on Monday to postpone the announcements. Such a rushed process over Christmas, when many officials and delegates aren't available to assist with discussions, would have denied you any sense of genuine consultation.

Though Qantas has agreed to postpone these discussions, this is only a negligible offering in light of its other appalling actions. We continue to fight its decision to outsource all ground staff, as well as roort JobKeeper and deny sick leave to stood-down employees.

We hope this small piece of good news allows you some sense of relief over the Christmas and New Year period, and we'll see you in 2021 to continue the fight side-by-side.

A reminder of Qantas' long list of attacks on workers this year:

- Standing down a trained HSR for raising safety concerns about cleaning planes direct from China with suspected covid-19 cases
- Playing down the risk of covid-19, leading to the Adelaide Airport cluster
- Rorting JobKeeper by denying workers their entitlements
- Refusing to pay sick leave to stood-down employees, resulting in workers with over 20 years' service having to take redundancy to pay for life-saving medical treatment
- Outsourcing its workforce to bring in companies like scandal-ridden Swissport
- Concocting a sham in-house bid process designed to fail, with the bid prepared by workers and EY rejected despite coming in at cheaper than the market rate

...we didn't think that they could stoop any lower. We were wrong, but we will continue to hold them to account for their appalling actions.

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