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**“IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR ALL RMTU MEMBERS COVERED BY THE
KIWIRAIL/VTAK/RMTU COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT”**

RMTU and VTAK bargaining teams met in Auckland on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week. The parties continued to negotiate their respective remits.

The parties are pleased to announce that a draft provisional settlement has been achieved.

The proposed settlement is subject to achieving final agreement on wording, final tick off by VTAK’s principal – ARTA and finally ratification by RMTU VTAK members.

Full details of the proposed settlement will be presented to members at report back meeting(s) which will be arranged when the Terms of Settlement have been agreed.

The parties are aware that the negotiations have been protracted but this is indicative of the complexity of the issues traversed in the negotiations.

The parties acknowledge that the RMTU members have been patient and ask that this continue for a short while longer.

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