



CRTC Chair
Konrad Von Finckenstein

Three days of meetings in Ottawa saw the Global Advisory Council (GAC) deal with three main issues. Layoffs, the CIRB bottom line decision and the CRTC hearings regarding Global's acquisition of Alliance Atlantis.

For the members facing immediate layoff, GAC resolved to support those who wish to retain their recall rights. A weekly stipend will be provided from the Council's funds as we attempt to negotiate with the Company proper layoff and transfer of work provisions.

In the absence of the reasons for the ruling delegates debated appealing the ruling against the possibility of bargaining immediately.

Following the weekend's meetings, GAC delegates and observers participated Monday morning in a demonstration in front of the CRTC. Peter Murdoch, Vice President for Media for the CEP told the Commissioners that "It's not up to Bay Street lawyers to change that basic tenet and that basic principle of maintaining broadcasting in the hands of Canadians."

Brother Murdock reminded the Commission of CEP's recent submission to the CRTC, in which, the Union takes the position that Global's future plans to centralize news production is a breach of the Broadcast Act.

GAC has also begun preliminary work on a national campaign to save the production of local news in this country. More information will be coming early in the new year.

Remember that in depth information can be found on our website www.cepmediaone.ca. Also we would encourage those of you who use Facebook to search the Global Advisory Council group and ask to be invited.

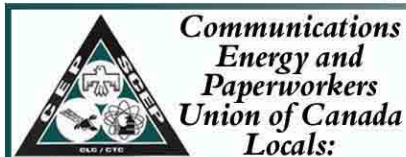
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