HALIFAX, Nov. 25, 2016 /CNW/ - The NSTU and the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development met over two days this week with the help of conciliator to try and come to an a collective agreement. The parties were unable to reach an agreement. [Evidently true.]

We are disappointed. Government invited us back to the bargaining table but remains unwilling to negotiate working conditions [Such as?] into our collective agreement.

Teachers have been crystal clear. [Meaning: gov't too stupid to understand.]

They want real, concrete [The difference between real and concrete, in this context, is what exactly?] improvements to the system.

-They want to teach, not more empty promises and rhetoric. [Clumsy sentence. English teacher needed on the union PR committee.]

Job action is likely on December 5, 2016 [Threat.] More information will be available in the upcoming week.