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“No fees for jobs” – says new campaign against widespread practice of fees charged to TFWs for jobs in BC

In violation of the Employment Standards Act, Temporary Foreign Workers are often charged thousands of dollars for jobs in BC that sometimes do not even exist.

To address this rampant practice, TFWs and their advocates will hold a press conference tomorrow morning to announce details of their new campaign **“Rising Up Against Recruitment”**.

Speakers will include a TFW who paid \$15,000 for a truck driving job in BC that was supposed to pay him \$23 per hour and give him a 50 hour work week. Instead, he worked several months either without pay or at minimum wage.

WHEN: 11am Friday December 16, 2016

WHERE: West Coast Domestic Workers Association, 119 W. Pender St, Suite 302,
Vancouver

WHO: Richard Eugenio, Temporary Foreign Worker
Kirby Smith, Lawyer representing TFWs in a possible class-action suit against their recruitment agency & Mac’s Convenience Stores
Mable Elmore, MLA Vancouver-Kensington and New Democrat spokesperson on Immigration and Temporary Foreign Workers
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