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## Historic win for workers as CUB dispute ends

Today the union movement welcomes the end of the long-running dispute involving the maintenance workers at CUB's brewery in Abbotsford.

The 55 workers who were sacked, have been invited to return to work at their previous positions at the Abbotsford brewery on fair and decent union terms and conditions, which provide job security to the workers.

This is a huge win for the union movement and the thousands of people who participated in the boycott of CUB products right across Australia.

It is a relief to all parties involved that the new owner of CUB, ABInBev, has recognised that these workers are an integral part of one of the most successful, productive and profitable breweries in Australia, and deserve every cent of their bargained for wages and conditions.

### Quotes attributable to ACTU Secretary Dave Oliver:

"This is an historic win for the union movement and all our supporters. These 55 workers have been out on the street for nearly 180 days standing up for the rights of all workers, they will walk back into work on Monday morning with their jobs secure at their full pay and conditions."

"We are glad to finally be able to end the boycott on CUB products, which are once again proudly union made at Abbotsford. I'm sure that with Christmas and New Year right around the corner our members and supporters will be relieved to hear that CUB is back on the menu."

"We hope that the unqualified success of this campaign is a clear indication to all employers that sham contracting and abuse of the labour hire system will not be tolerated."

"We call on the Turnbull government to introduce changes to labour hire and subcontracting laws so that no other workers have to go through what the CUB 55 have been forced to endure."

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