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## TRANSIT UNIONS TO MTA: NEGOTIATE! ATU 1179 & 1181 Workers to Call on MTA to Work Out Contract

<u>View</u> video of rally

Members of Amalgamated Transit Union Locals No. 1179 and 1181 called on the MTA to negotiate fairly and equitably as they rallied outside the transit agency's Two Broadway HQs in lower Manhattan today (Wednesday, February 22, 2017).

ATU Local Presidents/ Business Agents Bennie Caughman (1179) and Michael Cordiello (1181) said the agency refused to offer fair contract terms on a par with those received by Transport Workers Union Local 100's bus operators and maintenance workers in the MTA Bus Company.

City Council Civil Service and Labor Committee Chairman I. Daneek Miller, a former bus operator and ATU 1056 president, joined the ATU unions which represents bus operators, mechanics and supervisors who work from the Far Rockaway and JFK Depots (1179 – former Green Bus line) and Spring Creek Depot (1181 – former Command Bus line).

This May would mark five years without a contract for the locals.

View the YouTube <u>playlist</u> of the rally, including interviews with Presidents <u>Caughman</u> and <u>Cordiello</u> and Council Member <u>Miller</u>. As the rally concluded, ATU members <u>chanted</u> "equal pensions, equal pay."



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