

Unenforceable workers' rights pledge is cynical Government ploy



Meaningless reassurances guarantee workers nothing

An 'unenforceable' pledge on workers' rights expected from the Government today is nothing more than a cynical attempt to buy off MPs, says GMB Union.



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The Government is thought to be ready to give further assurances over workers' rights ahead of next week's crunch Commons vote, which the Prime Minister is widely expected to lose.

Tim Roache, GMB General Secretary, said:

"The Government has systematically refused to engage with trade unions over workers' rights and is now trying to buy off MPs with legally unenforceable tweaks that are not worth the paper they are written on.

"These assurances are meaningless at best, and at worst a cynical attempt to use workers' rights as a bargaining chip for self-preservation.

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