Rolls-Royce Marine Korea labor union struggle for unfair dismissal

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10th Novermber, the situation in the struggle

• The struggle in progress under canvas against unilateral dismissal for 61days



Company profile Rolls-Royce

- * The company CEO's name is Piet.
- * The total sales is \$ 40 million per year
- * The staff numbers are 100.
- * Established in 2000
- * Shipping parts of global group Rolls-Royce Marine (shipping industry, aviation industry, aerospace industry, defense industry
- * Ship building orders \$ 100 million per year
- * Produces winches which are part of ship

Union profile

- * Organized in 2005
- * Union is led by Ha young-jae
- * Union is composed of 24 members.
- * 12 on-site workers accepted requisition of voluntary resignation, and left the company
- * Rest of 12 on-site workers had denied the lay-off requisition and are struggling against unilateral dismissal

Progress summary

- * On April 3 2014, Rolls-Royce Marine Korea announced the restructuring of workforce unilaterally
- * On May 13 2014, Rolls-Royce Marine Korea announced a plan to lay off all the 24 on-site workers
- * On September 3 2014, 12 on-site workers accepted the requisition of voluntary resignation and resigned.
- * On October 10 2014, the company dismissed the rest of 12 workers who refused the voluntary resignation
- * 5 resigned workers have been employed again as Rolls-Royce Marine Korea 's subcontracted company

The key issues

- The article 54 of Collective Agreement says " if the company want to dismiss workers for urgent business problem, it is needed to agree with each other about the dismissal.
- The article 60 of collective Agreement, "if the company want to outsource some of the product lines to others, it is needed to agree with union.
- However, the company unilaterally announced the collective dismissal violating the existing CBA with the excuse of the company HQ policy*
- The key issues are as below:
 - Unilateral process of dismissal and outsourcing by company
 - Clear violation of the existing CBA

- Also, possible violation of the Labour Standards Act stipulating the procedure of collective dismissal due to managerial reasons.

- Reportedly intentional targeting unionists as the victim of dismissal and outsourcing by company.

- Rolls-Royce proposed another offer to the dismissed staffs as being the sub-contractors of rolls-Royce (job insecurity, wage decline of 50%)
- * Unions provided some ideas such as cost saving proposal, the company refused to accept the proposal.

On October 6 2014, Ministry of Employment and Labor survey was conducted



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「 1. 관련

- 가. 경영상 이유에 의한 해고계획 신고서(접수: 21690, 2014.09.01.)
- 나, 경영상 해고관련 자료제출 요구(근로개선지도과-23305, 2014,09,22,)

다. 정리해고의 정당성과 관련한 회사의 입장(접수:24184, 2014.10.01.)

2. 위와 관련, 귀사가 제출한 경영상 이유에 의한 해고관련 자료를 검토한 결과, 긴박한 경영상의 필요성 등에 있어서 경영상 이유에 의한 해고 요건에 부합되기 어려운 여지가 있는 것으로 판단됩니다.

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On October 13 2014, government audit was conducted





- * Submitted a remedy request for unfair labor practices and unfair dismissal to the Busan Regional Labor Relations Commission.
- * On October 6 2014, for unfair labor practices.
- * On October 13 2014, for unfair dismissal.
- * The Busan Regional Labor Relations Commission is examining.

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