

PAC LAYS OFF WORKERS AFTER TWO MONTHS OF NO PAY



When we think about job cuts the odds are good that you think about cuts in the area where you live, whether that means the job cuts in your local city, or your nation. But in order to truly understand the complete devastation of the global economic problems one has to look at all of the layoffs that are going on in the world. Take for example the recent layoffs at PAC. For those of you who are not familiar with PAC it is a TV studio in Lebanon. The Studio mostly makes programming for the Lebanese Broadcasting Corporation International, though some shows are made for other stations in the area. They are cutting down by about 400 workers. Though for some of the workers these layoffs must have been a relief. After all, the majority of the workers have not drawn any kind of a paycheck for the last two months. The workers, who have already set up legal representation to get their back pay, have been in consultation with the Labour Ministry in search of a resolution to the issues at hand. The company cited the generally bad economy as the reason for job cuts. At the current moment the company is not giving any details about which positions specifically are going to be cut, and what kind of severance they will be entitled to. Though the odds are good that since the workers have to take legal action to get their back pay the idea of having severance is not one that is very likely. Of course PAC is only the latest in a long line of television related layoffs. For those of you who missed out on some of our [earlier coverage](#) here is an excerpt that can get you up to speed on some related job cuts: "ad news is coming for the workers of a Toledo TV station. The station is looking to get rid of about 60 workers in order to make end meet. The station in question, WUPW-TV, is losing its staff as part of its sale to American Spirit Media. While the company will have the option to re-hire the 60 workers there is no guarantee that this will happen. For the time being the company is mum on details like the types of positions to be cut from the rosters, the day that the layoffs will go into effect and any severance benefits that the workers may be entitled to as part of the job cuts. Right now it is expected, according to sources close to the company, that the workers will not have to wait long at all to figure out who will be getting the axe. The layoff may begin as soon as between April 24 and May 8." In the end only time, and the courts will be able to decide what will happen to these workers, who have been going on about their jobs for the last 60 days, give or take, without any pay for their efforts.

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