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## **Urgent Action Required!**

On Monday, the IRS informed NTEU that it was suspending payment of all awards as a result of the sequester. NTEU immediately notified the IRS that we are invoking our right to bargain over any suspension of bargaining unit performance awards programs. NTEU fought hard for these awards programs. They are an important part of compensation at the IRS and it is unfair to suspend these awards when employees have worked hard to earn them.

Later today, NTEU will be sending you a message to your home e-mail address with more information on this issue outlining what you can do to help. Please provide NTEU with your home e-mail address by <u>clicking here</u> to receive information today and regular updates on the awards situation. You may do this now on your government computer, in accordance with the agency's policy on limited personal use of the internet.

If you're not sure if NTEU has your home e-mail address, please provide it now.

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