### **Interview Questions**

Journalist (who continue to pay attention to workers' rights and interests)

### 1)What responsibility do you think the news media bear in reporting social issues such as the 996-work schedule?

The news media bear the responsibility to reveal the truth and guide public awareness when reporting on the 996-work system. In reality, however, the media are often driven by advertisers, political pressure, or ratings, and fail to fully fulfill this responsibility. We are supposed to be guardians of the common good, but too often commercial interests interfere with our independence and objectivity.

#### 2) What challenges have you faced in covering the 996 news?

The challenges I face in reporting on 996 include a lack of access to primary sources and real cases, as well as a growing sense of public desensitization of the issue. In addition, self-censorship within the media on negative or sensitive topics also limits the possibilities for in-depth and comprehensive reporting.

# 3)Do you think the current working environment and work pressure in the news industry also have a trend of 996?

The working environment in journalism is gradually being eroded by the 996-work schedule, and journalists are often required to work under tight deadlines and a constantly changing news environment, which not only affects the depth and quality of reporting, but also poses a serious threat to the physical and mental health of journalists.

# 4)How do you think journalists should balance factual statements and personal positions when reporting on 996?

I try to be objective and impartial when reporting on 996, but my personal dissatisfaction and criticism of this work model sometimes inevitably seeps into the reporting. This inner struggle reflects the dilemma journalists face between professional ethics and personal convictions.

### 5)How much impact do you think news coverage has had on the public's understanding of 996?

News coverage plays an important role in shaping the public's understanding of 996, but this influence is undermined by information bubbles and media bias. The public is often only exposed to one-sided or biased information, and it is difficult to form a comprehensive understanding.

#### 6) How do you ensure the accuracy and impartiality of information when reporting on 996?

I face enormous pressure and challenges in ensuring the accuracy and impartiality of my reporting. In a rapidly changing news cycle, it is particularly difficult to maintain in-depth research and fact-checking, and the media's sensitivity to controversial topics often leads to self-censorship.

#### 7)How do you think the news media should raise public awareness of labor rights issues?

The news media has not done enough to raise public awareness of labor rights issues. We tend to report on breaking events and hot news, and neglect to explore long-term and systemic issues such as labor rights.

# 8)How do you think journalists should deal with possible public pressure or editorial interference when reporting the 996-work schedule?

In the face of public pressure or editorial interference, I often feel that my reporting is restricted, unable to fully follow my own wishes and professional standards. This external pressure not only affects the independence of reporting, but also undermines the morale and professional dignity of journalists.

# 9)What do you think the news industry should do to raise awareness of the professional health and well-being of journalists?

The news industry pays far less attention to the professional health and well-being of journalists. Journalists often work in high-pressure and high-intensity work environments, lacking the necessary support and protection. This situation not only harms the physical and mental health of journalists, but also affects the sustainable development of the entire industry.

# 10)How do you think governments and businesses should work with the news media to promote open discussion of social issues such as 996?

Government and business partnerships with the news media often have conflicts of interest and lack of transparency. In order to promote open discussion on social issues such as 996, a more fair, open and constructive partnership is needed to ensure that the media can report the facts freely and without interference from outside pressure.