



## UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

You are aware of the farm workers' struggle to build our own union, the United Farm Workers of America, AFL-CIO. At this moment thousands of UFW members are on strike in California demanding that the growers recognize the UFW as their legitimate collective bargaining agent.

In a disgraceful union-busting move, the Western Conference of Teamsters have signed sweetheart contracts with the grape and lettuce growers. President George Meany has labeled this action as "tantamount to strikebreaking", and the National AFL-CIO has announced full support of the boycott of non-UFW grapes and head lettuce.

In order to win this life and death struggle we need the support of every AFL-CIO member in the state of Ohio.

Enclosed are materials outlining the help that is needed:

- (a) a sample leaflet that can be used for a plant distribution to your members.
- (b) a boycott grapes and head lettuce 'box' that can be included in each issue of your union paper to inform members of the boycott (see bottom of leaflet for 'box').
- (c) a form indicating different actions that can be taken in support of the boycott. Please fill it out and return it to the farm workers' hospitality room in the Cleveland Plaza Hotel or mail it to the Cleveland UFW office (2705 Detroit, 44113).

We would also like to invite you to visit the farm workers' hospitality room at the Cleveland Plaza Hotel, 12th and Euclid, at any time during the convention. There will be plenty of union wine on hand.

On behalf of Cesar Chavez and the membership of the United Farm Workers of America, AFL-CIO, I thank you for any help that you can give us in winning our strike and boycott.

Viva La Causa!

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

  
Eliseo Medina  
Vice President

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