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Dear John:

Thank you very much for writing a letter to the Denominational Executives. Enclosed is a copy of the Press Release just issued. It gives the basic details. The Arbitration Board has not yet made a ruling so these expressions of support and assistance will be very important. The following is what is being asked from the religious community and its leaders.

1. Write a letter of support to the ILWU for the actions of Local 10 members. The letter should be addressed to Tom Luper, Secretary, ILWU Local 10, 400 North Point, San Francisco 94133. A cc should be sent to Kurt McLane, Secretary, ILWU, 1188 Franklin, San Francisco 94109.
2. A letter should also be sent to the Pacific Maritime Association which would indicate support for the Local 10 members' actions and that the PMA should allow the members to follow their conscience and not be penalized for it. That letter should be sent to Craig Mcfate, Assistant Manager, Pacific Maritime Association, 180 Grand Ave., Oakland 94612. A carbon might be sent to ILWU.
3. The press should be urged to cover this action, especially with the recent arrests in South Africa, the occupation of townships and the Free South Africa Movement started by the Congressional Black Caucus. It would also be very good if their Denominational media could do a story. We would be happy to give them more information.
4. Finally, Local 10 members are asking for support pickets to help sustain those refusing to off-load the cargo. This would be for an hour or so when the crews are called--at 7:30 am and 6:30 pm at Pier 80, at the foot of Army Street.

I think that should do it. Oh yes, I don't know if it's appropriate for the Executives, but we are asking congregations to make a special collection for Local 10 to pay for costs associated with their actions. Thanks again!

In solidarity,

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