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Dear Brother Cooke:

On behalf of the BCTGM International Union, I am writing to express our Union's full support and solidarity with the NZMWU in its struggles with Talleys Group Ltd. and its subsidiary companies. The BCTGM will stand with our NZMWU Brothers and Sisters until they achieve dignity, justice and respect from this lawbreaking employer.

Across the globe, an ever-increasing number of employers are choosing the path of complete disregard and contempt for laws regulating labor-management relations in the workplace. On a daily basis, these employers brazenly break the laws intended to ensure workers' legitimate and basic rights.

The severe and despicable economic and social injustice Talley's is heaping upon NZMWU members is being replicated by employers in virtually every country. Effectively confronting this growing scourge of employer lawlessness and union busting necessitates an unprecedented level of global worker solidarity and determination.

The BCTGM is proud to answer the call for assistance from the IUF and stand shoulder to shoulder with the NZMWU and its members in their important fight with Talleys.

Sincerely and fraternally,



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International President

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cc: International Secretary-Treasurer Steve Bertelli
AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka
IUF General Secretary Ron Oswald