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ILA and USMX Announce Master Contract Negotiations Will Resume

NORTH BERGEN, NJ – (Friday, March 9, 2018) The International Longshoremen's Association, AFL-CIO (ILA) and United States Maritime Alliance (USMX) today announced that they are resuming Master Contract Negotiations with the goal of completing terms on a contract that will keep cargo moving at Atlantic and Gulf Coast ports.

The two sides will continue to negotiate Master Contract issues and will encourage local port areas to concurrently work out terms for local agreements.

The ILA has received assurances from USMX that issues and concerns regarding automation have been adequately addressed opening a path toward successfully negotiating a new agreement well before the current Master Contract expires at the end of September this year.

"USMX and the ILA want to keep cargo moving and we are ready to put in the effort to get this job done to the satisfaction of employers and ILA dockworkers," said David F. Adam, USMX Chairman and Harold J. Daggett, ILA President.

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