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The Honorable Barack Obama
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are the Presidents and other elected officers of the affiliated unions of the AFL-CIO and we write in support of the federal Transportation Security Officers who are members of the American Federation of Government Employees. As you know, after TSOs overwhelmingly voted to join AFGE, they have been in bargaining talks with the Transportation Security Administration. Although it has been close to a year since the election, the parties have still not reached agreement on a contract.

We write to urge a prompt settlement of the collective bargaining agreement. We further urge the Administration to confer on Transportation Security Officers full collective bargaining rights with a binding grievance and arbitration procedure similar to the rights of other federal employees.

Thank you for your prompt consideration.

In solidarity,


Richard L. Trumka
President

Signed by the following presidents and other elected officers of the affiliated unions of the AFL-CIO:

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