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Dear Brother Cox:

**RE: AFFILIATION**

I am writing regretfully to inform you that your membership with the B.C. Federation of Labour has been suspended as a result of your union's decision to disaffiliate from the Canadian Labour Congress. I refer you to Brother Georgetti's letter of January 8, 2010.

I encourage you to take the steps necessary to re-affiliate at the national level so that you can once again become part of the Federation.

In solidarity,



JIM SINCLAIR  
President

Encl:

cc: Executive Officers  
cc: Ken Georgetti, President, Canadian Labour Congress

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January 8, 2010

To: Presidents of Provincial and Territorial Federations of Labour  
Presidents of District Labour Councils

Re: CLC Disaffiliation by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America

Greetings!

I regret to inform you that the Carpenters Union (UBCJA) Canadian Vice-President, James Smith, has advised the Canadian Labour Congress that the UBCJA has ceased its affiliation with the CLC. Accordingly, neither the UBCJA or any of its local unions or councils can be affiliated to any Provincial or Territorial Federation of Labour or Labour Council.

The disaffiliation by the Carpenters Union also means that no member of the union can hold office in any federation or labour council, be a delegate to a labour council or federation or Congress convention or attend any schools or other educational activities. It also means that representatives of the Carpenters Union are not entitled to sit on any Congress, federation or labour council committees as an affiliate representative.

I would appreciate it if you would take the necessary steps, prior to February 28, to advise members of the Carpenters Union in your federation or labour council who may be affected by this decision of the Canadian Vice President of the Union.

I have attempted to discuss this matter with representatives of the Union in order to understand what the problems are and to see if they could be addressed. Unfortunately, I was unable to arrange a meeting with the Union representatives. This is particularly unfortunate given the long history of participation by the Carpenters Union in the CLC, the federations and labour councils.

I am still hopeful that we will be able to have some discussions with the leadership of the Union in the near future and they will reconsider their decision.

In solidarity,

Ken Georgetti  
President

cc: CLC Executive Council  
CLC National and Regional Directors

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