



# DHL TEAMSTERS UNITED

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## DHL Teamsters Launch National Network

**A** national network of Teamsters and Stewards has formed to unite all DHL Teamsters to protect our National Master Freight Agreement (NMFA), and to upgrade all DHL contracts to the highest level. On Aug. 19 we held our first national conference call to agree upon our goals and next course of action.

DHL management is out to break us away from the NMFA. They already secretly negotiated with Brad Slawson, an assistant to General President Hoffa, an outline of a new agreement that would destroy our jobs and working conditions.

Thanks to an outcry from DHL Teamsters, stewards and officers, we stopped that secret deal. Negotiations will start over. That was a sweet victory, but we have a long way to go. We need the help of all DHL Teamsters.

We invite all DHL Teamsters to get in touch with us to keep informed and keep involved. Our future is at stake.

### What We Want

- ✓ We want Brad Slawson removed as head of the Teamster negotiating committee. Slawson bargained the outline of a sell-out with management behind the backs of the members and local officers. Slawson doesn't have a single DHL member in his local.
- ✓ We want DHL stewards at the bargaining table. We need people at the bargaining table that know DHL from the inside. This is our contract.
- ✓ We want the NMFA, and no standard deal. We will never vote to approve anything but the NMFA. We want all existing white paper contracts brought up to the highest level.

## It's Your Contract: Make Your Voice Heard

► **Distribute this bulletin to all DHL Teamsters.** On August 21, the International Union is holding a meeting for DHL business agents. They refused to allow stewards to attend. We need the International to know that every DHL Teamster, from Boston to Los Angeles, from Seattle to Dallas, will be informed and will be heard.

► **Contact the International Union.** DHL Teamsters are calling the International Union to ask them to defend the NMFA, remove Brad Slawson, and allow stewards to be in our negotiations. You

can call your union at (202) 624-6800 and ask to speak to the office of General President Hoffa, or his assistants Leo Deaner or Ed Keyser. Many Teamster members have already called.

► **Get in Touch with Us.** We want to hear your concerns, and keep you and your station informed. You can contact DHL Teamsters United by calling Oakland Local 70 steward Bob Martinez at (510) 938-3646 or Pittsburgh Local 249 committeeman Mark Woods at (412) 583-4882. Check our new website: [www.dhlteamsterforum.com](http://www.dhlteamsterforum.com).