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## IAMAW Districts and Lodges fighting against Unfair negotiating Weyerhaeuser Management

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Through Mike Rose, Chief of Staff for the Woodworkers Department of the fighting Machinists Union we learned of your struggle against Weyerhaeuser unfair negotiating tactics which has forced you to take the final action and go on strike.

We learned this because Mike is also a member of the World Board and Regional Vice-President for North America for the Building and Wood Workers International, which is a Global Union Federation that represents 12,5 million workers in the construction and wood workers sectors. Among our 375 unions the Fighting Machinists have always played a very important role.

When we learned the way the Management of Weyerhaeuser thinks that they can treat you and the fellow workers that have brought with your labour so much profit to the company and their last concessionary offer in which they propose to cut vacation time, increase the cost of your health insurance with a very meagre increase in wages, we understood your anger and we felt the need to express our solidarity on behalf of all our members with your struggle.

The just fight can only be fought and won when we are united and with your walk-out action and picket lines you are demonstrating that very true and old trade union wisdom.

We are on the brink of our fifth world congress in Madrid with as moto: "Vamos! Organise beyond borders, for the people, for peace, for the Planet".

We wish you all the best and be assured of our solidarity and that we will do whatever we can to support you in the struggle for a fair contract at Weyerhaeuser that will honour your justified demands, restores decent work and dignity to all workers.

Take care, stay strong,

Ambet Yuson  
BWI General Secretary