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## **CEPPWAWU EXTENDS SOLIDARITY WITH HUHTAMAKI EMPLOYEES, CALIFORNIA**

## Chemical, Energy, Paper, Printing, Wood and Allied Workers Union

(CEPPWAWU) of South Africa extends strong fraternal and unwavering Solidarity to the Huhtamaki employees in California against undesirable treatment by Huhtamaki management. We have noted with concerns in number of issues including slavery wage, precarious employment while threatening the job security and living standards of unionized employees.

We notes with deep anguish and indignation that workers employed through the temporary agencies generally earn less than \$10.00 per hour with no access to benefits or wage increases. With no doubt, no any share holder of this company is earning anything near such slavery wages and no one would agree on a precarious work path as it has serious negative consequences for workers safety on the job.

CEPWAWU rejects with all the contempt's it deserve the tactics of the Company in taking unethical advantage of capitalist economic crisis in denying the rights and dignity of the workers. We of the view that amicable solution can be reach only if Huhtamaki is negotiating in good faith with the workers.

CEPPWAWU assures the Employees at the Huhtamaki Plant in California that CEPPWAWU will continue to support them throughout in supplementing their demands till they are realized.

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