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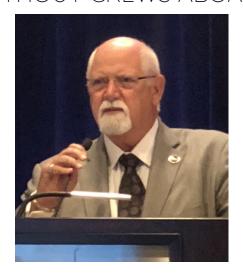
#### ILA PRESIDENT HAROLD DAGGETT WARNS SHIPPING LINES AND DEVELOPERS OF FULLY AUTOMATED CONTAINER VESSELS THAT ILA MEMBERS WILL NOT WORK SHIPS WITHOUT CREWS ABOARD

Harold Daggett, President of the International Longshoremen's Association has a message to any shipping companies planning to utilize autonomous container cargo ships without a crew aboard:

"Don't sail them into ILA ports from Maine to Texas, Puerto Rico, the Great Lakes and Eastern Canada--they won't be unloaded or loaded by ILA members.

Shipping companies from Norway and Japan have stated recently that they intend to develop and test container vessels that will sail with no crew aboard.

"Workers around the world are under assault from the threat of auto-



mation," stated President Daggett. This has got to stop and my ILA will

do whatever it takes to save our jobs and any other job that is effected by this in the maritime industry.

"We will continue to negotiate for no automation or automated equipment at ILA ports," remarked President Daggett.

The ILA leader hopes all U.S. Maritime unions join the ILA in refusing to allow autonomous container vessels. He is confident to win the support of the world-wide International Dockworkers Council (IDC) to join the ILA in its campaign to stand its ground against the elimination of on-board shipping jobs.

ILA Chief of Staff James McNamara contributed to this story

## ILA MILITARY CONSULTANT

Meet ILA Military Consultant Major General (USA Retired) Timothy P. McHale.

ILA International President Harold J. Daggett appointed Major General McHale as ILA military consultant in May 2020.

Major General USA, Retired Timothy P. McHale was born and raised in Minnesota.

He completed his undergraduate studies at St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota as a Distinguished Military Graduate with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Transportation Corps.

During his 35 years of service, Major General McHale has commanded both aviation and logistics units of every echelon from platoon to theater support command, with duty in Germany, Korea, Iraq, Af-

ghanistan and throughout the United States.

Major General McHale held several key staff positions on the Department of the Army Staff, The Joint Staff, US Forces Korea, Multi-National Forces-Iraq and US Forces Afghanistan. For his operational deployments he was awarded two Bronze Stars and the Combat Action Badge. Major General McHale is currently serving as the President and CEO at Knollwood (a Senior Military Retirement Community). Knollwood is a non-profit organization that provides housing for retired military members and their families. He also continues to serve on the Board of Directors of Homes For Our Troops.

Major General McHale holds Master's Degrees in Management from Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island and National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He is a former National Security Fellow, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

Major General McHale has been married to his wife Janice for over 37 years and they have two sons,



Casey, who is Captain in the US Army and serving in the 101st Airborne Division and Riley, who is a Cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York.



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### ILA MOVES MILITARY CARGO

The ILA is proud to move the nation's military cargo. This includes cargo for national defense, humanitarian aid and disaster relief.

The ports that we currently have military contracts with are the following: Port of Philadelphia, Port of Virginia, Sunny Point, Texas Gulf, Port Arthur, Port of Corpus Christi, Port Of Beaumont, Gulf Port, Mid Atlantic, Port of Charleston, Port of Savannah, Port of Wilmington/ Morehead City, Port of Jacksonville and Port of Canaveral



#### Portugal

Lisbon dockers, represented by SEAL, continue their struggle with a strike notice, which would last until October 5, 2022.

As an act of solidarity to raise funds, the ILA, is working on a campaign, with the sale of T-shirts, where all proceeds will go to finance the struggle of the

Portuguese comrades. A web link will soon be ready for anyone who is interested and will be promoted through the ILA and IDC channels.

#### United Kingdom

The IDC is working with Unite The Union to resolve a dispute with Forth Ports, a port company with a presence in ports in England and Scotland that is owned by several investment funds in Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom

IDC is conducting contacts and meetings in the areas where these funds operate, in order to expedite negotiations that are otherwise being led from Europe, through Unite The Union, which represents Forth Ports workers.







# ILA MEMBERS EXCITED AS CRUISE INDUSTRY MAKES LONG AWAITED RETURN

The cruise industry has returned up and down the coast at various ports that are ILA represented.

From Manhattan's West Side in New York to Galveston, Texas cruise ports on the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts are slowly returning and bringing optimism to thousands of International Longshoremen's Association members who have been mostly idle for the past 18 months because of the Coronavirus pandemic.

One of the first piers to welcome back passenger ships was at Port Everglades in which Celebrity's Edge resumed sailing on June 26. ILA Local 1526 members and their President Johnnie Dixon were elated with the return of work for their members.

Shortly after that in early July, ILA Local 1416 President Torin Ragin was joined by rank and file members as they welcomed the Carnival "Horizon" passenger ship to the

port of Miami.

The Port of Galveston, TX could also see an increase in total labor hours for ILA members as the cruise industry returns to the great state of Texas. Galveston is the fourth busiest cruise port in the United States.

Congratulations to all members that are back working the passenger cruise ships after a long 18 months with no cruise lines in service.

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# ILA OFFSHORE WIND INITIATIVE LED BY JAMES PAYLOR AND PETER CLARK

ILA members have handled, with pride, all types of cargo, including containers, break-bulk, bulk, and project cargos. This proud union is hoping to add to this list the equipment needed for the construction of wind turbines. The value of ILA represented labor has been recognized, particularly when ILA members were trusted and trained to load and unload technically advanced military cargo.

ILA members provide the highest level of productivity while working safely in a hazardous industry. The U.S. government has utilized ILA members' services during times of crises. The coronavirus pandemic is an example of ILA members' true dedication when the ILA's men and women workforce continued to keep the supply chain of medical supplies, food products and other cargo moving non-stop.

The ILA, led by International Assistant General Organizer James Paylor and International Vice President Peter Clark, is encouraged and looking forward to participating in

the Green Energy Offshore Wind Initiative. The ILA will provide to the industry a Project-Labor Standard (PLS), which will cover all aspects of the loading and unloading of vessels, ocean barges and other maritime assets that will be deployed. This will include wind turbines, superstructures and any other equipment and cargo being shipped to waterfront piers, terminals and industrial waterfront laydown sites. When the wind turbines are constructed, ILA represented employees will reload them onto the vessels or barges that will transport the wind turbines to their offshore locations. Furthermore, ILA represented employees will secure and un-secure the cargo aboard these vessels and barges, perform maintenance and repair on all cranes, forklifts and perform general maintenance of the waterfront terminals, piers or supporting waterfront laudown facalities.

The ILA looks forward to engaging and providing labor with any stakeholder involved in the Offshore



Wind Initiative, whether it be stevedores, terminal operators, wind developers, infrastructure partners, port authorities or the original equipment manufacturers.

# AUSTRALIAN FREMANTLE DOCKWORKERS FIGHT BACK AGAINST QUBE'S HARSH LABOR POLICIES

Dockworkers in Fremantle, Australia, have been on strike for more than two months.

This struggle is not for economic reasons, but for social reasons. They are demanding that the extreme working hours of Qube workers, who find it practically impossible to combine work and family life, be made more humane. These shift schedules, which force workers to endure extreme fatigue.

also have a significant impact on occupational safety, which can lead to an increase in accidents.

The MUA, an IDC affiliate, is working hard to reverse this situation and reach an agreement that takes into account the workers' demands.

The IDC, for its part, is involved in the negotiations and has already offered its solidarity to the Australian colleagues, who have the



strong support of both MUA and international branches.