

#### LONGSHOREMEN NEWSLETTER

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### NEW ORLEANS AND ILA TO HOST IDC GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN LATE MAY

The International Dockworkers Council (IDC) will hold its 9th General Assembly from May 24 to 26. It will do so, for the fourth time in its history, in the United States of America and, for this edition, the



city of New Orleans, Louisiana, has been chosen.

The International Longshoreman's Association (ILA) will be the host union for this important meeting of dockworkers at the international level. Some 300 delegates are expected to attend the meeting from nearly a hundred affiliated unions around the world: from Europe, to

Africa, from Asia and Oceania to Latin America through the East and West Coasts of North America

In addition, ILA Executive Vice President Dennis A. Daggett will be nominated for re-election as IDC General Coordinator. Should he receive the support of the delegates to the General Assembly, Daggett will assume his second term at the helm of the IDC, after having been unanimously elected at the 8th General Assembly, which took place in Lisbon (Portugal).

The 9th IDC General Assembly will



be held at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel and a full agenda has been prepared to provide dockworkers around the world



with actions to meet the challenges they face in the future with unity.

The global pandemic of Covid-19 has highlighted the important work of all dockers worldwide over the past two years and this upcoming General Assembly will undoubtedly be a turning point for our profession.

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### ILA'S FIRST EVER WOMEN'S CONFERENCE TAKES PLACE IN JACKSONVILLE, FL

Nearly 500 ILA women longshore workers, delegates and officers came together in Jacksonville. FL on March 3-5 as the Southeastern Dock and Marine Counhosted the inaugural 0 ILA Women's Conference, "to salute ILA Women who have helped build the marindustry itime across the country. ILA Executive President Dennis Daggett addressed the packed audience and spoke passionately about how the women in his familu have had a profound effect on making him the person he is today.

"My mom and grandmother were tough women from NYC. Their

toughness and perseverance was passed on to me and I intend to pass that onto my own children." ILA Internation-President al Vince Cameron is so proud have been part of this historic event. "We want to recognize the rising number of ILA women in the maritime industry and salute

commented Cameron.
Two prominent female ILA members, Lovette McGill from PortMiami, and Linda Wilkins, from the Port of Newark will be featured

ership roles and contributions that

they have made over the years",

them for the multiple lead-







during the Friday session of the conference. Both strong, progressive labor leaders, Sisters McGill and Wilkins, will reflect on their careers as ILA women in a predominantly male industry. Also present was Liz Shuler, AFL-CIO President

#### ILA LEADERSHIP VISITS PORT HOUSTON AND ILA LOCAL 24





ILA Leadership consisting of Dennis Daggett, ILA International Executive Vice President; Alan Robb, South Atlantic and Gulf Coast District President, Billy Williams, South Atlantic and Gulf Coast District Vice President and Kenny Oelkers, ILA Education Director toured Port

Houston and saw the Neopanamax electric cranes, which were delivered in early February.

During the visit the leadership also met with ILA Local 24 members in Houston and had the opportunity to speak at their union meeting.

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Thank you James McNamara for contributing to this story

# STATEMENT BY HAROLD J.DAGGETT, PRESIDENT, INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S ASSOCIATION ON RUSSIA'S ATTACK OF UKRAINE



#### WE STAND WITH UKRAINE

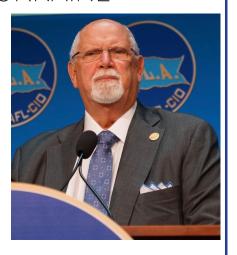
The International Longshoremen's Association stands in unity with the brave citizens of Ukraine and condemns Russia for its unprovoked attack and invasion of Ukraine.

Russia's aggressive and shameful actions are a violation of international law and have brought unnecessary violence, destruction, hardship and death to innocent Ukraine citizens.

Russia's Vladimir V. Putin has disgraced himself to the world

and his savage attack on Ukraine without any justification or the support of the majority of his own country places him in the company of mankind's worst dictators. He bears responsibility for the deaths and injured in Ukraine and his murderous assault on another nation should have severe consequences for him and those that aid him in his evil coup.

The entire membership of the International Longshoremen's As-



sociation pledges its support of Ukraine and its citizens; its collective condemnation of Russia's attack and we are united in prayers for a speedy end to this brutal action by one nation against another

#### ILA GREAT LAKES CONFERENCE TAKES PLACE IN TAMPA, FL

The Great Lakes District Council hosted meetings for ILA members on March 18-21.

Guest speakers gave updates about what's taking place at their home ports.

Earlier in the week, the ILA and ACD held executive officers meetings.

Pictured at right is longtime ILA family from left to right:

Michael Baker, ACD Vice President and Great Lakes Secretary Treasurer, John D. Baker, Jr. ILA International Vice President and Great Lakes President and John D. Bkaer, Sr., ILA International General Organizer and Great Lakes District Council President Emeritus.



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# RESOLVED THE CONFLICT WITH THE QUBE PORT WORKERS IN FREEMANTLE



Dockers at the Qube Holdings terminal in Freemantle, Western Australia, have finally reached an agreement after weeks of strike action and under threat of government intervention.

The fight was not for economic reasons, but social. They demanded to humanize the schedule conditions that the workers of the Qube company must endure, who saw it as practically impossible to combine work and family life.

These schedules, in shifts that forced workers to endure extreme fatigue, also have a significant influence on occupational safety, which can translate into an increase in accidents.

Finally, the agreement maintains the definitive assignment of shifts at 4:00 p.m. the previous day, but the work lists will be issued at 2:00 p.m.

#### BRAZILIAN PORT WORKERS ON STRIKE

Port workers on strike from 7am to 7pm in the State of Espírito Santo, Brazil.

As already denounced by IDC in December 2021, the Federal Government of Brazil intends to concede the port authorities to the private sector, which is why the dockworkers decided to implement the strike notice already announced

in December 2019.

The mobilizations are supported by the 3 Brazilian Federations of Dockworkersand the IDC.

They demand from the government dialogue with workers' representatives and protection for workers and their jobs.

For a decent job, with a future and stability!



Brazil

#### IDC MISSION IN SENEGAL

Jordi Aragunde, International Labor Coordinator of the IDC; accompanied by Ghigrehi Aklegbou Pierre, Coordinator of the Africa Zone; Kenneth Riley, East Coast Coordinator; and Mark Frederick Bass, ILA member; were present at the beginning of February in Dakkar, the capital of Senegal.

In the African country, they held several work sessions with actors from the port sector and visited an orphanage located 70 kilometers from the city.

The delegation met successively with the stevedores grouped in the National Dockworkers' Union of Senegal, those responsible for the Handling and Logistics Training Center and finally, with the director of the Port Labor Office, which is part of the Syndicat des Entreprises de Manutention from the ports of Senegal.



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