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Dear Friend:

We are writing to you as one who has demonstrated support and solidarity with the United Farm Workers.

As you know the UFW has secured the first legislation in North America giving bargaining rights to farm workers. This victory is meaningless, however, unless both elections and contracts can be won.

To complement the Canadian Boycott, our Committee is assembling a Canadian delegation to attend the UFW Convention in Fresno, California from August 15-17.

Our goal is to have the Canadian delegates stay in California following the convention for two to four weeks to work on the elections.

The first elections will be held as early as August 28. Help is urgently required in all election areas. The nature of the jobs to which people will be assigned will depend on their individual skills and experience.

The UFW in California will endeavour to provide accommodations and meals for those staying to work after the convention. It is suggested, however, that delegates budget approximately $100 per week in addition to approximately $275 air fare via Toronto or $175 via Vancouver. The individual or the organization which he or she will represent will have to meet all expenses.

The shortness of time may not permit us to contact you personally although we shall try. Therefore, we take this opportunity to invite you to join the Canadian Solidarity Delegation to California. If you are able to join us or wish more information, please contact Bill Howes at the above address.

Viva la Causa!

Fraternally,

Dennis McDermott