



INTERNATIONAL LONGSHORE & WAREHOUSE UNION COAST LONGSHORE DIVISION

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 3, 2022

TO: Coast Longshore Division Presidents

FROM: The Coast Committee

SUBJECT: **ILWU Position on Russia's Invasion of Ukraine**

Russia's large-scale invasion of Ukraine is an act of aggression that endangers a population of more than 40 million people, including millions of innocent men, women, and children. Accordingly, effective immediately, the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU), some 20,000 workers strong in 29 ports up and down the United States West Coast, will refuse to load or unload any Russian vessels or Russian cargo coming into or going out of all West Coast ports from Bellingham, Washington to San Diego, California. With this action in solidarity with the people of Ukraine, we send a strong message that we unequivocally condemn the Russian invasion, the fueling of nuclear tensions by any country, and the imperilment of Ukraine's citizens.

We will be issuing a press release shortly and will send it to you as soon as it is published. Please refer any media inquiries to the contact on the news release.

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