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Dear Governor Wolf and District Attorney Krasner:

We are the representatives of National Railway Motive Power Union of Chiba (Doro-Chiba), Hoshino Defense Committee and the workers fighting together with them. Doro-Chiba, a union of train drivers, engineers and janitors of East Japan Railway Co., has been fighting against the Division and Privatization of Japan National Railways since 1987. The Hoshino Defense Committee has been fighting to free an innocent political prisoner Fumiaki Hoshino who fought against the ratification of Okinawa Reversion Agreement, which admitted US bases remaining there, in 1971.

We strongly demand immediate release of Mumia Abu-Jamal and full disclosure of the evidence including memos and files from the Philadelphia Police Department and the Office of the Philadelphia District Attorney.

We are convinced of Mumia Abu-Jamal's innocence. There is no physical evidence of his guilt. Nay more, the evidence of his innocence has been covered up and the demand for full disclosure of evidence denied. If a prosecutor who dealt a case becomes a judge of the upper

court that rules the same case, it constitutes a conflict of interest. Long before the recent US Supreme Court ruling, it has been the common sense in international society. In defiance of the court order to present the records of the Office of the Philadelphia District Attorney, it still refuses to comply with the order. Such refusal bears eloquent testimony to the frame-up of the Mumia's conviction by the police and the Office of the DA.

We has been impressed with Mumia's unflinching struggles for workers livelihood and rights, especially collective labor rights, before and after his arrest, and with widespread labor support for Mumia's freedom, including the coast wide port shutdown by the International Longshore and Warehouse Union in 1999. Therefore, we have been making intense effort to forge solidarity between the struggle to free Fumiaki Hoshino in Japan and that to free Mumia Abu-Jamal. Outraged by the prison authority's refusal to give medication for hepatitis C treatment of Mumia Abu-Jamal, we participated in the international campaign for his medication. The refusal of hepatitis C medication was a very execution in slow motion and oppression of the struggle against the framed-up case.

Although he got the medication as a result of his and his supporters struggle, such assault on his health on top of 36 years of imprisonment is the most egregious abuse. Again, we urge full disclosure of the evidence and immediate release of Mumia Abu-Jamal.

Sincerely,

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