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Dear President Calderón:

On behalf of the 850,000 members of the United Steelworkers in the United States and Canada, I write to condemn the assassination of Reynaldo Hernandez Gonzalez and the injuries inflicted on approximately 20 other members of Section 298 of the National Union of Mine and Metal Workers in Nacozari.

The USW condemns this brutal attack, and we call on you to act immediately to end Grupo Mexico's campaign of terror against Napoleon Gomez and the Mineworkers' union by canceling the company's concessions and returning them to government control.

Mr. President, until German Larrea and the other individuals responsible for the deaths of union members at Pasta de Conchos, Lazaro Cardenas and Nacozari are brought to justice, and until the interference of Grupo Mexico and government authorities in the affairs of the Mineworkers' union ceases, the United Steelworkers will urge the United States Congress to refrain from approving any economic or security assistance to the government of Mexico.

I look forward to your reply.

Very truly yours,

Leo W. Gerard
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