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Fatima Hussein, President
Washington-Baltimore NewsGuild,
Local Union #32035
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Dear Fatima,

I understand the Washington-Baltimore NewsGuild 32035 is attempting an affiliation with the Union of Union Representatives, which represents Service Employees International Union staff. Based on the conflict with the Communications Workers of America, I am directing 32035 to not affiliate the Union of Union Representatives with The NewsGuild or the local.

Article XI Section 15 of The NewsGuild constitution states:

No Branch of TNG-CWA shall, without permission of the E.C. or the President, seek to represent employees for whom it is not then the certified or recognized representative, nor initiate any suit or proceeding affecting representation of employees or collective bargaining (except a suit or arbitration proceeding to enforce a specific contract obligation) before any court, tribunal, labor board or agency; and the conduct of the case by the Branch shall be subject to the approval of the E.C. or President. In case any Branch of TNG-CWA shall be a respondent or defendant before any court, tribunal, labor board or agency, the nature and scope of its defense shall be subject to approval of, and its defense shall be conducted in full consultation with the E.C. or the President.

The CWA has a strong partnership with SEIU through political work and Change to Win/Strategic Organizing Center. For those reasons, I am directing the local to stop any affiliation efforts. If you disagree with my decision, you may appeal it to TNG's Executive Council.

In solidarity,

President, The NewsGuild-CWA

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