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GARCETTI IN SF FOR PORT TALKS

Mayor Meeting With Both Sides to Urge Agreement

SAN FRANCISCO -- Mayor Eric Garcetti is in San Francisco, meeting with both sides involved in the ongoing West Coast ports dispute that has a local, regional and national economic impact. Mayor Garcetti is responsible for the Port of Los Angeles, the nation's number-one seaport.

"The port has been at the top of my economic agenda. Our economy is my top priority as Mayor. The Port of L.A. is not only a local, but national powerhouse. That's why I'm up here to speak directly with both sides and [U.S. Secretary of Labor Tom Perez]," Mayor Garcetti said this morning on KNX's Ask the Mayor. "We cannot let this go on any longer. As the Mayor of the largest city that has the largest port ... I'm going to continue to be a loud voice to get this resolved."

Mayor Garcetti has been in constant contact with the Pacific Maritime Association, the Longshore Workers, his fellow west coast mayors, and the White House, which responded by dispatching a mediator and now the Secretary of Labor himself to personally work to find an agreement.

Mayor Garcetti has been in close contact with Secretary Perez, and has initiated a nightly call with west coast mayors. He has also been working closely with Mayor Robert Garcia of Long Beach, whose Port of Long Beach is adjacent to the Port of Los Angeles and is important to our regional economy.

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