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Hello Sir,

During today's teleconference I was pleased to here you said that if you could help in any way to give you a call. We are asking for your help. It would mean a lot to the membership if you were to come out publicly in support of ACOA's and the States arbitrated settlement. As you know class one employees cannot strike and must count on binding arbitration agreed to by both sides. Not honoring one's agreement to an arbitrated settlement sends the wrong message to the hard working Officers that serve under your watch. We as Correctional Officers and role model's for the prisoner population know the importance of honoring one's word. The State agreed with ACOA to honor the arbitrators ruling, you as our Commissioner, should publicly announce that you hold the state to the same standards as your Officers and honor what was negotiated and arbitrated in good faith.