

November 24, 1980

Dear Cesar,

I have decided to resign, effective March 1, 1981. This will allow enough time to transfer properly the companies to whom I have been talking and the materials relating to the Teamster Pact.

I remain grateful for all I have learned in the union, especially from you and Dolores about politics and negotiations, and intend to do something, I am not sure just what, to work for justice in some other sphere. Sometime, when you have the time, I'd like to get together and talk.

March 4, 1981

Well, Cesar,

~~///~~ Aren't you just a little ashamed of yourself? I wrote you on Nov. 24th to tell you that I was going to spend a few months transferring my stuff and would be leaving on March 1. No response. Ok. Then I called for you a few weeks ago but Grossman told me you were in Texas. No call back. Then I called again and told Mark I was requesting 3 months severance pay. Still no response. A few nights ago I called - nothing? Last summer when Dan was in the hospital you offered to help. Now's your chance. The dough would give me a chance to think before I leap into something else. If the answer is no then have someone call ~~me~~ say so. (I called again today and no response again).

I also suggested that we talk when we have the time. I assume you have had no time since 11/24. Remember I am Jerry Cohen not Carl Sam Maggio. Leroy suggests politics. That doesn't exactly grab me. Some say the Governor but I want to talk to you about him. I'm leading toward a few years teaching. Just because I disagree with you philosophically about paying staff and Law Paz does not mean that when I leave I don't care about whether you and the union succeed. Now I repeat-aren't you just a little ashamed of yourself.

Yours till Niagra Falls

Handwritten signature: Jerry Cohen

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