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Transportation Labor Reaction to Dismissal of Amtrak CEO David Gunn

Washington, D.C. . . . *The following statement was issued today by Edward Wytkind, President of the Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO (TTD), in response to the dismissal of Amtrak CEO David Gunn.*

"It is no secret that Amtrak workers have strongly disagreed with some of David Gunn's management practices and antics at the bargaining table.

"But it is outrageous that the Bush administration would fire anyone who does not take a blood oath to break-up and sell-off our national passenger rail system.

"From day one, the current Amtrak Board has been on a mission to dismantle Amtrak from within -- now it is time for Congress to step in and dismantle the Amtrak Board before they do further harm."

TTD represents 29 member unions in the rail, aviation, transit, trucking, highway, longshore, maritime and related industries. For more information, visit www.ttd.org.

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