



**United States Maritime Alliance, Ltd.**

**STATEMENT FROM USMX CHAIRMAN & CEO DAVID F. ADAM  
ON TENTATIVE MASTER CONTRACT AGREEMENT  
LYNDHURST, NJ (JANUARY 9, 2025)**

“Today, following two days of intensive bargaining with the ILA, USMX members met to begin the formal review process to finalize the tentative Master Contract agreement. The agreement includes provisions that will increase wages, strengthen retirement and healthcare benefits, maintain current jurisdiction, and allow us to modernize our ports – making them safer and more efficient, and building the capacity we need to keep the American economy the global leader in trade. The deal is a testament to the USMX and ILA’s shared commitment and long history of prioritizing creating a stronger future for our industry and protecting and creating good-paying American jobs.”

“Thanks in large part to President Trump’s leadership, this agreement reflects our joint commitment to supporting American workers and strengthening our ports so that American businesses can continue to thrive giving them access to markets around the world to sell their products and keep our economy strong. On behalf of our members, we look forward to working with President Trump and his Administration.”

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