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Re: Hurricane Maria

Brothers and Sister,

In pain's me to deliver this message after just two weeks of writing to our membership in SJU Puerto Rico about facing the aftermath of Hurricane IRMA. While Puerto Rico escaped a direct hit on the Island by IRMA it still left behind damages and struggles to be dealt with.

Now, On September 20th, 2017 the Island has been struck with the strongest storm in more than 80 years with reports stating the storm has caused death and has knocked out the power of almost the entire Island. This destructive Hurricane with powerhouse winds of 155 mph, snapping palm trees, peeling off roof tops will leave behind a wide spread historical damage on the Island.

Once again, your TWU Local 501 Executive Board wants our members in SJU to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you ALL that are in harm's way and suffering through this historic event. While Local 501 was already working on the best plan to assist our members in SJU due to Hurricane IRMA, we will now with the help of the International try and develop a stronger plan that will provide greater assistance.

You are all encouraged to remain as strong and Vigilant as possible during the recovery period. While it is in possible to know at this time how much damage or deaths MARIA has caused, your Executive Board prays that ALL of our members and their family are safe at this time.

As soon as possible, please try and communicate any way you can with any Officer of the Local so that we may establish a status report of our membership.

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