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Dear Mr. Infantino and Ms. Samoura:

We are Los Angeles hospitality workers. We are the backbone of our tourism industry. We proudly prepare and serve food, maintain hygienic and clean places to sleep and eat, and ensure visitors have a memorable experience.

It has come to our attention that FIFA representatives will visit our region in the next week or so to review the potential placement of the 2026 FIFA World Cup in Los Angeles.

We respectfully ask that you meet with us during your visit to discuss our mutual commitment to promoting human rights, which of course include labor rights. We know that you will have a full itinerary so we will make ourselves available to meet based on your schedule. We know that dialogue with community stakeholders is an important priority.

As we explained in our October 12, 2001 letter to you, given FIFA's commitment to human rights, FIFA should not consider the Rose Bowl as a possible World Cup venue until all of its workers have enforceable labor standards, a living wage, and affordable health insurance. I do not believe we have received a response from FIFA on this important issue.

We will be in Pasadena at the Rose Bowl a few times next week to protest the working conditions. If that would be more convenient, we can set aside time at those protests.

In addition, we want to make sure your stay in our region is second to none. We encourage you to select a socially responsible union hotel on our Fair Hotel list at [FairHotel.org](http://FairHotel.org). Let us know where you are staying so we can make sure our fellow hospitality workers can properly welcome you.

Again, please let us know a convenient time to meet while you are in the City of Angels.

In Solidarity,

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Los Angeles Convention Center, 30 years  
STAPLES Center, 15 years

Cesar Altamirano  
STAPLES Center, 18 years

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