



AAF: The Biden-Harris Union Strike Could Cripple the American Economy

TOPLINE: Under the Biden Harris Administration's watch, the Longshoremen's Union, essentially the workers responsible for unloading ships at East and Gulf coast ports, has gone on a strike.

Today, 36 ports from New York to Houston are now paralyzed and more 47,000 dockworkers are on strike.

- These ports handle ~\$3 trillion in annual international trade.
- The union is demanding a complete ban on automation and a 77% pay raise over 6-years.
- The Chief Negotiator for the International Longshoremen Association stated, "**I will cripple you, and you have no idea what that means. Nobody does.**"

President Biden and V.P. Harris could intervene and end the strike, but refuse to get involved.

- The Taft-Hartley Act allows President Biden to stop the strike for up to 80 days.
- President Biden has already stated that he has no plan to intervene to protect the American economy from self-serving unions.

The Biden-Harris Union Strike Could Devastate America's Families and the Economy:

- This strike could affect more than half of U.S. imports and result in massive thousand-dollar surcharges on containers leading to higher prices for American families.
- J.P. Morgan estimates that the strike could cost the American economy **\$3.8 billion to \$4.5 billion per day.**

The Union's Demands Will Directly Benefit China and Cripple America's Global Competitiveness.

- While the world's most efficient ports are almost entirely automated, the Union is demanding a complete ban on automation, effectively freezing American ports in the last century.
- This ban would obviously benefit China and significantly hamstring America's ability to compete on the world stage by more efficiently importing and exporting goods.
- The Port of Virginia is America's most efficient port. Why? Because they have been allowed to embrace automation and dramatically increase efficiency.

BOTTOM LINE: The Biden-Harris Administration cannot stand up to their political allies and the American people will pay the cost. During COVID, the left allowed schools to remain closed, hurting an entire generation of American children. Now, the left is refusing to stand up against yet another rent-seeking union, and American families could pay the price.

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