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RAHALL TO HOST RECEPTION FOR TRUMKA

WASHINGTON D.C. --- WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, CHAIRMAN OF THE CONGRESSIONAL COAL GROUP, WILL HOST A "GET ACQUAINTED" RECEPTION IN THE NATION'S CAPITOL FOR NEW UNITED MINE WORKERS PRESIDENT RICHARD TRUMKA.

THE RECEPTION WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, IN ROOM 2167 OF THE RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING. THE TIME IS 5-7PM.

RAHALL SAID, "THIS GATHERING WILL PROVIDE MR. TRUMKA AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE FROM COAL PRODUCING AND COAL USING REGIONS OF OUR NATION, AND WILL FORGE A RELATIONSHIP THAT WILL BENEFIT COAL."

RAHALL AND TRUMKA RECENTLY HELD A PRIVATE MEETING IN RAHALL'S WASHINGTON OFFICE TO DISCUSS WAYS TO GET COAL MINERS BACK TO WORK.

"WE REVIEWED A NUMBER OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS THAT I AM CONSIDERING," RAHALL OBSERVED, "AND PLEDGED OUR SUPPORT TO WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE THE COMMON AND MUCH-NEEDED GOAL OF REDUCING THE GROWING NUMBERS OF UNEMPLOYED COAL MINERS IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA AND THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY."

RAHALL ALSO POINTED OUT THAT, "MR. TRUMKA AND I DISCUSSED WAYS TO BLUNT THE ADVERSE IMPACT FOREIGN IMPORTS ARE HAVING ON THE COAL INDUSTRY, AND MEANS TO IMPROVE THE TRANSPORTATION OF COAL TO MAKE IT MORE COMPETITIVE."

"I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH MR. TRUMKA," CONGRESSMAN RAHALL SAID, "FOR THE GOOD OF THE COAL INDUSTRY AND FOR THE GOOD OF COAL STATES LIKE WEST VIRGINIA."

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