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Congressman Charles W. Whalen, Jr., (R-Ohio) today asked the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) to take action immediately to set the date for a National Cash Register Company union representation election.

Whalen said the three parties to the election dispute all have agreed to waive appeal rights to the NLRB trial examiner's report last week which recommended the January election results be set aside and new elections held.

"In view of the fact that the parties now have indicated they will not appeal, I urge the Board to consider immediate initiation of the steps involved in setting a date for the new election, if this is legally permissible," Whalen said in a letter to NLRB Chairman, Frank W. McCulloch.

The parties referred to in the letter are the National Cash Register Company, the Employees' Independent Union and the International Union of Electrical Workers.
The deadline for the filing of appeals to the report is August 19, according to information provided Whalen by McCulloch in a letter.

Whalen met last Thursday with representatives of the three groups to discuss the situation in the wake of the trial examiner's report.

He indicated satisfaction with the decisions by the three parties to waive appeal rights.

"Needless to say, I am delighted that the parties have reached common agreement since this was my hope in calling the meeting last week," he said in the letter to McCulloch.

The trial examiner's report probably would not have been issued until the early part of September had it not been for Whalen's prodding of the NLRB, a spokesman in the Congressman's office said.

In addition to direct contact with the NLRB itself, the Dayton area legislator delivered a sharply-worded House floor speech critical of NLRB handling of the case and also contacted the White House for assistance.

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NOTE: A copy of Congressman Whalen's letter to Chairman McCulloch is enclosed.
Honorables Frank W. McCulloch
Chairman
National Labor Relations Board
Washington, D. C. 20570

Dear Mr. McCulloch:

Thank you for your letter of August 7 and your offer of further assistance in the matter relating to the National Cash Register Company union representation case.

As you know, I held a meeting last Thursday with the three parties involved: The National Cash Register Company, the Employees' Independent Union and the International Union of Electrical Workers. All now have agreed to accept the recommendation of Trial Examiner, Ramey Donovan, that the election be set aside and a new election held. Formal notification by all the parties to this effect should have been received by the Board already.

Needless to say, I am delighted that the parties have reached common agreement since this was my hope in calling the meeting last week. As I understand it, following the August 19 appeal deadline, the Board will proceed to set a date for the new elections. In view of the fact that the parties now have indicated they will not appeal, I urge the Board to consider immediate initiation of the steps involved in setting a date for the new election, if this is legally permissible.

The severity of this situation will be alleviated by the earliest possible election date. I am hopeful that the Board will see fit to expedite it.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Whalen, Jr.,
Member of Congress

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