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FOP Urges Compromise Funding Deal

Chuck Canterbury, National President of the Fraternal Order of Police, urged our national leadership to come to the table and find common ground in a deal to fund the entirety of the Federal government.

“The most fundamental responsibility of our government and its elected officials is to protect the safety of the public,” Canterbury said. “While Federal law enforcement officers remain on the job without pay and continue to work with their counterparts at the State and local level, the longer this partial shutdown goes on, the greater the cumulative effect on the public safety mission. We are confident that with negotiation and patience our leaders in Washington can find some accord. I would suggest that secure borders and a fully funded government are not mutually exclusive.”

“The U.S. Departments of Justice and Homeland Security house some of our largest Federal law enforcement agencies and while their operations do continue, they have not been appropriated the funds to fulfill their mission,” Canterbury said. “Our nation has always grappled with differences of opinion on policies and in politics, but it is at variance with common sense and good governance to allow these disagreements to disrupt the normal operation of the Federal government.”

The Fraternal Order of Police is the largest law enforcement labor organization in the United States, with more than 345,000 members.