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On Sunday, January 12th, 2020 the Executive Board of the Massachusetts Correction Officers Federated Union met with the Correction Officers that were the victims of the brutal assault at Souza Baranowski Correctional Center this past Friday, along with the Officer’s families. These officers suffered serious and significant injuries. Two officers remain hospitalized, both will require surgeries to address the injuries they sustained, and the road to recovery for them will be long. Despite this, these brave and heroic officers remain strong, are upbeat, and are very much appreciative of the outpouring of support.

MCOFU appreciates Governor Baker and Lieutenant Governor Polito for their support in visiting and speaking with our officers, their families, and hearing their thoughts on what happened during their attack.

MCOFU appreciates the open line of communication it has been able to have with the Legislature, particularly Representative Claire Cronin in order to hear our concerns. Attacks like this one this past Friday, and others like it have become too common and are only increasing in terms of how brazen they are, and in the extent of the injuries our officers are sustaining. Their willingness to work with us is vital. MCOFU looks forward to working with members of the Legislature to keep our prisons safe for each and every officer who works behind the walls.

The Massachusetts Correction Officers Federated Union is absolutely committed to, and looks forward to working with all parties necessary to ensure substantive and long-lasting operational changes are made at the Souza Baranowski Correctional Center.

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