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Mr. James Connors
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Computer To ARS

Re: H7C-3W-C 14081 Class Action cocoa Beach, FL 32931

Dear Mr. Connors:

On July 14, 1989, you met with C. Bruce Wiese to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

issue in this grievance is whether the use of computers the Postal Service is exclusive bargaining-unit work of the clerk craft.

It is the position of the Postal Service that continued technological advances in computer systems has provided a valuable tool for use at all levels of the organization. Work, both supervisory and bargaining-unit, previously performed using pencil and paper, is now completed more rapidly and efficiently with the computer. Though certain work assignments which are best performed through the use of a computer may be made to bargaining unit employees, the use of the computer itself is not restricted to any specific employee group. Supervisors and managers can use computers to accomplish management tasks and functions, and such does not constitute a violation of the National Agreement.

Based on the above considerations, this grievance is denied.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

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COMPUTER TOARB

Re: H7C-4A-C 17641 Class Action Winnetka, IL 60093

Dear Mr. Connors:

On October 4, 1989, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether the use of computers in the Postal Service is exclusive bargaining-unit work of the clerk craft.

It is the position of the Postal Service that continued technological advances in computer systems has provided a valuable tool for use at all levels of the organization. Work, both supervisory and bargaining-unit, previously performed using pencil and paper, is now completed more rapidly and efficiently with the computer. Though certain work assignments which are best performed through the use of the computer may be made to bargaining-unit employees, the use of the computer itself is not restricted to any specific employee group. Supervisors and managers can use computers to accomplish management tasks and functions, and such does not constitute a violation of the National Agreement.

Based on the above considerations, this grievance is denied.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

John Leonard

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