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ARTICLE	19
SECTION	ELM
SUBJECT	BLANKET MEDICAL POLICY

Mr. Halline Overby
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO
100 Indiana Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: A. Thury
Mitchell, SD 57301
H1N-4C-C-7091

Dear Mr. Overby:

On several occasions, the most recent being October 14, 1982, we met with you to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

The question raised in this grievance involves the local requirement that employees provide, in addition to Form 3971, a separate statement of the reason for an absence due to illness. It was mutually agreed that the following would represent a full settlement of this case:

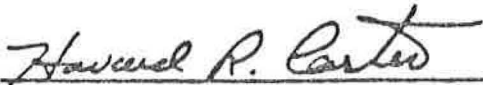
A blanket order for all employees to provide medical reasons for absences due to illness in a separate statement is improper. Section S13.36 of the Employee and Labor Relations Manual provides instructions for documentation requirements and is to be followed.

Please sign the attached copy of this decision as your acknowledgment of agreement to resolve this case.

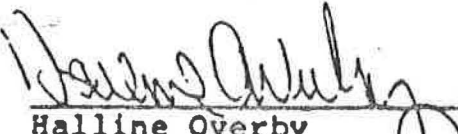
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Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,



 Howard R. Carter
 Labor Relations Department



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