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Mr. Kenneth D. Wilson
Assistant Director
Clerk Division
American Postal Workers
Union, AFL-CIO
817 14th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

Re: Class Action
Miami, FL 33152
H1C-3W-C 22796

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On October 4 and November 10, 1983, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of the contractual grievance procedure set forth in Article 15, Section 2, of the National Agreement.

The dispute at issue in the instant grievance is whether management is proper in requiring stewards to fill out a new PS 7020 (Authorized Absence From Workroom Floor) for each absence to perform grievance activities.

After further review of the matter, we mutually agreed that there was no national interpretive issue fairly presented as to the meaning and intent of Article 17 of the National Agreement. We agreed that the provisions of Section 252 of the F-22 (Time and Attendance, Fiscal Handbook) are applicable in this case.

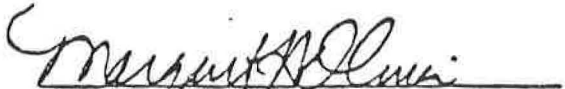
Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further development and consideration, if necessary, by the parties.


Mr. Kenneth D. Wilson

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Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as acknowledgment of agreement to remand this grievance.

Sincerely,


Margaret H. Oliver
Labor Relations Department


Kenneth D. Wilson
Assistant Director
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