



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
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Washington, DC 20260

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ARTICLE	28
SECTION	
SUBJECT	ACCOUNTABLE CARTS

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

Re: Class Action
Birmingham, AL 35203
HLC-3D-C 15813

Dear Mr. Morgen:

On April 14, 1983, we met 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 issue in this grievance is whether the local use of an Accountable Mail Cart (PS-1226E) constitutes a lack of security in violation of Article 28, Section 1.

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 28 of the National Agreement.

The disputed cart was developed for nationwide use within the U. S. Postal Service. This model cart is manufactured by the Dayton Manufacturing Company in Dayton, Ohio. The determination of whether this cart provides adequate security for the employees in the local office is a fact dispute suitable for regional determination. In so doing, consideration should be given to the layout of the work area and the procedures in the local office for distribution of accountable mail. Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further development and consideration, if necessary, by the parties.

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Mr. John A. Morgen

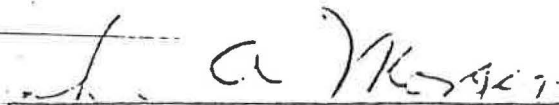
Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this decision as acknowledgment of agreement to remand this grievance.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,



A. J. Johnson
Labor Relations Department



John A. Morgen
Director, Clerk Division
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