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SUBJECT	
DATA COLLECTION	
TECH-RELIEF	

Mr. Wallace Baldwin, Jr.  
Assistant Director  
Clerk Division  
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO  
817 - 14th Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

Re: APWU - Local  
Sacramento, CA 95813  
H1C-5B-C-5794

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

On October 5, 1982, 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 question in this grievance is whether or not management violated Article 37 of the National Agreement by its manner of posting Relief Data Collection Technician positions. The Union contends that such postings also violate a regional policy established in 1977.

According to the file, local management has established these relief positions, at permanent level 6, to be used as needed in the Data Collection Unit. When not needed, they are assigned other duties and continue to be paid at the higher level. The issue in 1977 concerned Relief Data Collection positions which were established at permanent level 5, to be filled on a best qualified basis. Such positions were considered improper and were rescinded.

In our opinion, the positions may properly be posted as permanent level 6 best qualified positions under the circumstances discussed in this grievance.

Mr. Wallace Baldwin, Jr.

Accordingly, as we find no violation of the National Agreement, this grievance is denied.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. L. Eugene", written in dark ink.

Robert L. Eugene  
Labor Relations Department