



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
Washington, DC 20260

September 10, 1982

ARTICLE	37
SECTION	3A1
SUBJECT	POSTAGE DUE

Mr. Wallace Baldwin, Jr.
Administrative Vice President
Clerk Craft
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO
817 - 14th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

Re: Class Action
Fort Worth, TX 76101
E1C-3A-C-6924

Dear Mr. Baldwin:

On August 11, 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.

We mutually agreed that there was no interpretive dispute between the parties at the National level as to the meaning and intent of Article 37 of the National Agreement as it relates to posting of preferred duty assignments in this case.

According to the file, on March 23, 1982, a position in this local office was posted for bid which included the duties of caller service window and postage due. The local union contends that postage due is presently a level 6 assignment and should be filled by a senior qualified clerk. They also contend that these duties are not designated as principal assignment areas in accordance with the local Memorandum of Understanding.

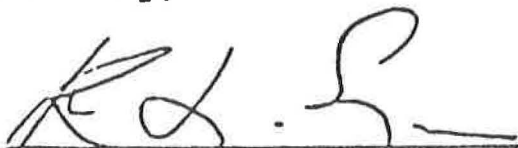
The parties at the National level have determined, from a review of the file, that the position is not a new position, it is the same position that was vacated by an incumbent and posted with a minor change. The postage due function, however, was retained. The parties also noted that the


sputed duties were listed as relief duties, not as principal assignments. Whether or not a violation of condition of the LMU occurred is a matter to be determined at the lower level.

Accordingly, as further agreed, this case is hereby remanded back to Step 3 for further processing by the parties at that level.

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

Sincerely,


Robert L. Eugene
Labor Relations Department


Wallace Baldwin, Jr.
Administrative Vice President
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