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Mr. Lawrence G. Hutchins Vice President National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO 100 Indiana Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20001-2197

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Re: Class Action Garnett, KS 66032 H4N-4H-C 27353

Dear Mr. Hutchins:

On October 19, 1988, a meeting was held with the NALC Director of City Delivery, Btian Farris, to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether a violation occurs as a result of the assigning of a clerk to carrier craft duties in the Garnett, Kansas facility.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. We agree that the Memorandum of Understanding which states:

"It is understood by the parties that in applying the provisions of Articles 7, 12 and 13 of the 1984 National Agreement, cross craft assignments of employees, on both a temporary and permanent basis, shall continue as they were made among the six crafts under the 1978 National Agreement,"

does not affect or change the provision of Articles 7, 12 and 13 but instead, merely specifies the crafts to which they will be applied.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing, including arbitration if necessary.

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