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Mr. Richard I. Wevodau  
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817 - 14th Street, N.W.  
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May 6, 1983

Re: P. Wilhelm  
Providence, RI 02940  
HLT-1E-C 12559

Class Action  
Providence, RI 02940  
HLT-1E-C 11677

Dear Mr. Wevodau:

On April 20, 1983, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievances at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

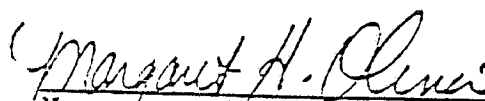
The question raised in these grievances is whether management violated Article 38 by filling a maintenance craft vacancy with an employee who requested a transfer.

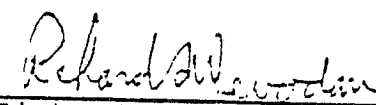
During our discussion, we agreed that maintenance craft vacancies are filled in accord with the provisions set forth in Article 38.2. We also agreed that if preferred assignment registers and promotion eligibility registers are exhausted, a vacancy may be filled by transfer.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand the cases to Step 3 for application of the above to the fact circumstances involved.

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

Sincerely,

  
Margaret H. Oliver  
Labor Relations Department

  
Richard I. Wevodau  
Director, Maintenance Division  
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