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Mr. Thomas Freeman, Jr. Assistant Director Maintenance Craft Division American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO 817 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

> Re: Local Buena Park, CA 90620 H1C-SB-C 31977

Dear Mr. Freeman:

This supersedes my July 12, 1985 letter regarding the subject grievance.

On several occasions, the most recent being July 16, 1985, we discussed the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether management violated the National Agreement by issuing the January 4, 1985 sick call policy.

The union contends that the two-call requirement for unexpected illness/injury is contrary to the regulations contained in Part 513.332 of the ELM.

It is the position of the Postal Service that the January 4, 1985 policy, as written, is unreasonable and therefore improper. Accordingly, the grievance is sustained and the said policy shall be rescinded.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

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#### October 31, 1986

Hr. Thomas Preeman, Jr. Assistant Director Maintonance Craft Division American Postal Workers Union, APL-CIO 817 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

Dear Mr. Preeman:

On September 5, 1986, a prearbitration discussion was held on case number H4C-5F-C 6086, Albuqu rque, New Mexico. The question in this grinvance is whe her the employer's local absence control policy is inconsistent and/or in conflict with the National and/or Local Agreement.

It is agreed that the two-call requirement is contrary to ELH 513.332 and 512.412. Accordingly, the instructions, Items 1 and 3 under employee's responsibilities, are to be amended and brought into compliance with the ELM.

It is further agreed that the remaining issues do not wirrant arbitration aft the National level. Accordingly, this grievance is remanded to the regional level with the clear understanding that it is to be arbitratod, if necessary, at the regional level.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter acknowledging your agreement to remand this case, and withdraw H4C-5F-C 6086 from the pending national arbitration listing.

Sincerely,

Georg /8. McDougald/ General Manager Grievance and Acbitration Division Labor Relations Department

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Thomas Freeman, Jr. Assistant Director **Haintenance Craft Division** American Postal Workers Unicn, APL-CIO 11 3-1964

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Whittier, CA 90605 MIR-5B-C 3428

Dear Mr. Overby:

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

The issue in this grievance is whether the grievant was improperly required to submit documentation in support of a sick leave request.

After further review of this matter, we agreed that there was no national interpretive issue fairly presented as to the meaning and intent of Section 513.362 of the Employee and Labor Relations Manual (ELM).

The parties at this level agree that for purposes of ZLM 513.352, an absence is counted only when the employee was scheduled for work and failed to show. A nonscheduled day would not be counted in determining when the employee must provide documentation in order to be granted approved leave.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to Step 3 for further consideration by the parties.

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

Mr. Halline Overby

Time limits were extended by autual consent.

Sincerely,

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Halline Overby Assistant Secretary-Treasurer National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO



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ARTICLE SECTION SUBJECT EPRM 379 CLOCA ON

Re: Class Action Orlando, FL 32802 H&C-3W-C 48121

Dear Mr. Freeman:

On August 16, 1985, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance involves management requiring employees to complete PS Forms 3971 at the Postal Source Data Site prior to obtaining their time badges following unexpected absences from duty.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. This is a local dispute suitable for regional determination by application of Part 513.332 of the ELM as well as Part 333.3 of the F-21 Handbook to the fact circumstances.

The parties at this level agree that the completion of a Form 3971 "upon/after return to duty" means while the employee is on-the-clock.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for application of the above understanding to the fact circumstances. Mr. Richard I. Wevodau

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Sincerely,

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Thomas Freeman, Jr.

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