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CENTRAL REGIONAL OFFICE

Chicago, Illinois 60699

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SUBJECT: Use of Associate Office Personnel in SCF's

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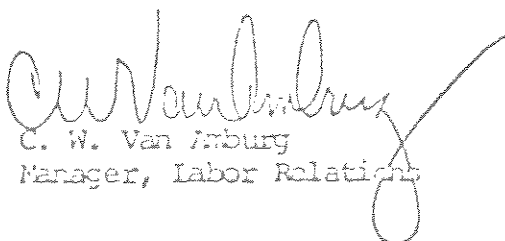
All District Managers
Employee & Labor Relations Representatives
Central Region

In his March 19, 1973 memo to the District Managers, concerning the processing of circular mail at third class offices, Mr. Gals suggested that part-time flexible employees may be detailed from third class offices to the SCF or nearby first class post offices.

Since that time, we have received several complaints concerning the preferential treatment of these associate office employees. Specifically, it is alleged that they are being given special treatment to the detriment of regular employees at the local installation. Although these complaints are not necessarily contractual in nature, they do not lend themselves to maintaining a high degree of employee morale within the installation. Specific complaints cited were:

1. Associate office employees are never assigned undesirable or arduous tasks.
2. Associate office employees are receiving preferential schedules. Specifically, part-time flexible employees in the local office are working split shifts over a 13.1/2 hour period while associate office employees are being utilized on a straight six or eight hour assignment.

Please take whatever necessary action is needed in your district to resolve this type of problem. We do not wish to have this situation become a serious issue in the Central Region.


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