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Mr. Lonnie Johnson, National Director
National Post Office Mail Handlers, Watchmen,
Messengers & Group Leaders
Division of the Laborers International
Union of North America, AFL-CIO
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

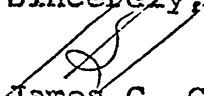
This responds to your letter of June 18, 1974, to Darrell F. Brown and Mr. Orenstein's letter of June 25, 1974, which was also addressed to Mr. Brown, concerning the Postal Services' notification to the Mail Handlers Union of the proposed issuance of the P-1 Handbook - Position Descriptions.

At the June 25, 1974, meeting between representatives of the Postal Service and the Mail Handlers Union, at which the handbook was discussed, it became apparent that the Mail Handlers Union is opposing the assignment in the proposed Handbook of certain USPS work to the bargaining unit represented by the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO.

In the circumstances, the Postal Service deems the grievance filed by the Mail Handlers Union and encompassed in your June 18, 1974, letter to be subject to the December 14, 1973, Memorandum of Understanding between the Postal Service, the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, and the Mail Handlers Union for the resolution work jurisdiction disputes.

Please advise the dates that are convenient to you for holding a Step 4 meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding.

Sincerely,


James C. Gildea
Assistant Postmaster General
Labor Relations Department

cc: ✓ Mr. Francis S. Filbey
Mr. Dan Jordan
Mr. Orenstein
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