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Susan Pendergrass, Network Director  
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Subject: VISN 20 Steering Committees Charters

Dear Ms. Pendergrass:

The National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on the cited subject in VISN 20 within the Department. Alma L. Lee, President NVAC will be naming the chief negotiator and team members, please provide them with any information and/or data concerning the above subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than ten (10) workdays after the management chief negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any further implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The named bargaining committee may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. Please contact me at (217) 554-4866, for any questions.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.  
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee  
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53  
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