



**AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
NATIONAL VETERANS AFFAIRS COUNCIL #53**

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February 24, 2014

Mr. Kevin Nelson, Chief Negotiator
VBA Office of Labor Management Relations (LMR)
Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: Demand to Bargain –Reassignment of QRS Employees/Spring Surge

Dear Mr. Nelson:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C., of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on the above cite subject within the Department. Please provide for the above named NVAC VBA Mid-term Bargaining Committee will all information and/or data related to the subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays after the Management Chief Negotiator receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist and further implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. As management has already provided a briefing to AFGE on this “Spring Surge” initiative on February 21, 2014, AFGE will be submitting a bargaining proposal.

Sincerely,

Valorie Reilly, Chair
VBA Sub Committee, Mid-Term Bargaining
National VA Council#53

Cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council
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