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October 24, 2014

Rica L. Lewis Payton, Network Director
VISN 16 Network
1600 E. Woodrow Wilson Drive, Suite A –Third Floor
Jackson, MS 39216

Subject: VISN 16 Removal of Glass Window Protection in Mental Health at VISN Facilities

Dear Ms. Lewis-Payton:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally demanding to bargain on the removal of the Glass window protection in Mental Health at VHA facilities in VISN 16 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee will be naming the Chief Union Negotiator and negotiating team members. Please provide the named bargaining team with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays after the management chief negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

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

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee
2nd Executive Vice President
National VA Council #53

cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
Ben Jonson, 10th District Representative NVAC

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