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Kimberly P. McLeod, Executive Director
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Subject: VHA Member Services Office of Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Veterans
Military and Crisis Line 2018 Performance Standards - Health Science Specialist GS
9/11; Lead Social Science Assistant GS-8 and Social Service Assistants GS-7

Dear Ms. McLeod:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2, of the Master Agreement, National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on the 2018 Performance Standards listed above in the cited subject within the Department. Please provide the NVAC's Mid-Term Committee members named above with all information and/or data related to this 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 Mid-Term Committee Team members may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please call me at (217) 554-4866.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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