



**AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
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March 18, 2019

Darwin G. Goodspeed, Director
VA Medical Center Portland
3710 Southwest US Veterans Hospital Road
Portland, OR 97239

Subject: VISN 20 – VA Portland, HCS, MCM 00-06 Diversity Management and Equal Employment Opportunity (AFGE Local 2157 and AFGE Local 2583)

Dear Mr. Goodspeed:

In accordance with Article 47 Section 2 C., of the Master Agreement the National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on VA Portland HCS, MCM 00-06 Diversity Management and Equal Employment Opportunity as listed above in VISN 20 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee, President of the National VA Council#53, will be naming the Union's Chief Negotiator and team members. Please provide the named bargaining team with all information and/or data related to the cited subject. The negotiation of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays after the Management's Chief Negotiator receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The above named NVAC's 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
Donald Fowler, 11th District Representative NVAC

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