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Subject: Standardized Performance Standards for Advanced Medical Support Assistants assigned to PACT Teams in VISN 8

Dear Mr. LaPuz:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally demanding to bargain on the Standardized Performance Standards for Advanced AMS assigned to PACT Team at VISN 8 facilities within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee, President NVAC will name the Chief Negotiator and team members. Please provide the named bargaining team with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiation 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 national 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.  
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53  
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