



**AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
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Mid-Term Bargaining Committee**

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Wendell Jones, Network Director
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Arlington, TX 76006

Subject: VISN 17 – VA Health Connect Weekends, Evenings, Holiday and Nights (WHEN)
Scheduling

Dear Mr. Jones:

In accordance with Article 47 Section 4 B, of the Master Agreement the National VA Council #53 is formally demands to bargain on VISN 17 VA Health Connect WHEN Scheduling as cited above in VISN 17 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 on 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 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) 554-4979.

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
Derrick Mathis Jr., 10th District Representative, NVAC

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