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March 1, 2007

Meghan Serwin-Flanz
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Labor Management Relations (LMR)
Department of Veterans Affairs, Suite 215
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: VA Handbook 5011/13 Hours of Duty and Leave

Dear Ms. Flanz:

The National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on change to VA Handbook 5011/13 on Hours of Duty and Leave revision that increases the number of pay periods that employees may use earned compensatory time in the Department. Please provide the above named Mid-Term Bargaining Committee members with any information and/or data concerning the above cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than ten (10) workdays after the management chief negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any further implementation until after the bargaining obligation has been met. The named bargaining committee 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.
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee
2nd Executive Vice President
National VA Council #53

cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
Executive Committee, NVAC

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