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Subject: VISN 9 Policy (10N9-123-11) New Person File and National Practitioner Identification Number

Dear Mr. Dandridge:

In accordance with Article 47 Section 2 C, of the VA/AFGE Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain over the cited subject above in VISN 9 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee, President of NVAC will be naming the Union Chief Negotiator and negotiating team members. Please provide the named bargaining committee with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) working days 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 named bargaining committee may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. Any questions please contact me at (217) 554-4866.

Sincerely,

Oscar L. Williams, Jr.
Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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