



**AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
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December 24, 2013

Mr. Kevin Nelson, Chief Negotiator
VBA Office of Labor Management Relations (LMR)
Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: Dependency Processing Claims Assistance

Dear Mr. Nelson:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C., of the Master Agreement the National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on the above cited subject within the Department. Please provide the above named NVAC VBA Mid-Term Bargaining Committee with all information and/or data related to the subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays after the Management Chief Negotiator in this receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any further implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The named VBA Bargaining Committee is requesting a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please call me at (727) 319-7788.

Sincerely,

Valorie Reilly, Chairperson
VBA Sub Committee, Mid-Term Bargaining
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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