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May 13, 2003

Martin D. Flynn, Chief
Human Resources Management
Greater Los Angeles, HCS
11301 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90073

Subject: GLAHCS Proposed Tour of Duty Change in Psychiatric Emergency Service Unit

Dear Mr. Flynn:

I in response to your letter dated April 22, 2003 receive this communication on May 12, 2003. Article 44 Section 2 of the VA/AFGE Master Agreement state that the Union's demand to bargaining must be received within 30 days from receipt of the proposed changes. In your letter to me, you have indicated a change to the VA/AFGE Master Agreement. You demand that I respond within 15 days of the date of your letter. I could not meet this deadline since your letter was not mail until May 9, 2003. Also, under what authority, or delegated authority do you have to change the VA/AFGE Master Agreement? If you have a signed agreement with any NVAC delegated representative, by the President National VA Council #53 to change the agreement please provide me with a copy, of the said document.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. If you have 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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