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Ronald E. Cowles, Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Labor Management Relations (LMR)
Department of Veterans Affairs, Suite 215
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: VA Employee's Statement of Commitment and Understanding

Dear Mr. Cowles:

The National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on VA Employee's Statement of Commitment and Understanding in the Department. Please provide the above named bargaining committee with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject above. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin ten (10) workdays after the Management Chief Negotiator in this matter receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation of 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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