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Larry Bennett, Staff Director
Office of Labor Management Relations (LMR)
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Subject: VHA Bar Code Expansion-Positive Patient Identification (BCE-PPI) Project

Dear Mr. Bennett:

In accordance with Article 47 Section 2 C., of the Master Agreement the National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on VHA BCE-PPI Project cited above within the Department. Please provide the NVAC's Title 38 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 receives our demand to bargain.

Please cease and desist any implementation until the bargaining obligation has been met. The NVAC's Title 38 Mid-Term 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.
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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53
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