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Patrick J. Kelly, Director
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One Veterans Drive
Minneapolis, MN 55417

Subject: VISN 23 --MVAHCS Proposed Co-location of MICU and SICU Staff on 2P SICU
(AFGE Local 1969 and AFGE Local 3669)

Dear Mr. Kelly:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally is demanding to bargain on MVAHCS proposed co-location of MICU and SICU Staff as cited above in VISN 23 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee will be naming the Union's Chief Negotiator and negotiating team members. Please provide the named union negotiating team members with any information and/or data concerning the cited subject. The negotiations of this matter should normally begin no later than twenty (20) workdays 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 union negotiating team may request a briefing over the cited subject above, before sending any proposals. If you have any questions please contact 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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