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Adam M. Robinson, Jr. MD, Director VA Maryland Health Care System 10 North Greene Street Baltimore, MD 21201

Subject: VISN 5 – VAMHCS Policy Memorandum 512-118-042 Monitoring and Effective Use of VAMHCS Clinical Alarm Systems Policy (AFGE Local 331 and AFGE Local 1923)

Dear Dr. Robinson:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 is formally demanding to bargain on VAMHCS Policy Memo 512-118-042 as cited above in VISN 5 within the Department. Ms. Alma L. Lee will be naming the Union's Chief Negotiator and negotiating team. Please provide the named bargaining team 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's 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 bargaining 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.

Chairperson, Mid-Term Bargaining Committee

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cc: Alma L. Lee, President National VA Council #53 William Wetmore, 3rd Executive Vice President, NVAC

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