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Vincent Ng, Director  
VA Boston Healthcare System  
1400 VFW Parkway  
West Roxbury, MA 02132

Subject: VISN 1 – VA Boston Healthcare System (VABHCS) Telephone Operators Proposal  
(AFGE Local 221 and AFGE Local 2143)

Dear Mr. Ng:

In accordance with Article 47, Section 2 C, of the Master Agreement, the National VA Council #53 formally demanding to bargain on the VISN 1 VA BHCS Telephone Operators Proposal as cited above 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 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  
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