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ARTICLE	19
SECTION	ELM
SUBJECT	Removal From S.L.

Re: H. O'Brien
Portland, ME 04101
H4C-1R-C 495

Dear Mr. Freeman:

On June 25, 1985, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether the information cited in paragraph three of the letter regarding removal from the restricted sick leave list violates the National Agreement.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in this case. This is a local dispute suitable for regional determination by application of Part 513.37 of the ELM to the fact circumstances.

The parties at this level agree that the same procedure is followed when returning an employee to the restricted sick leave list, as that utilized for an initial placement under this requirement.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing including arbitration if necessary.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Muriel A. Aikens
Labor Relations Department

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