



EMPLOYEE AND LABOR RELATIONS GROUP
Washington DC 20260

August 18, 1976

Mr. Forrest M. Newman
Administrative Aide, Clerk Craft
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO
817 - 14th Street, NW
Washington, D. C. 20005

ARTICLE	17
SECTION	
SUBJECT	WORK AREA LEAVING

Re: APWU Local
Hartford, Ct
AB-N-11,716/V75-6805
APWU - 11,716

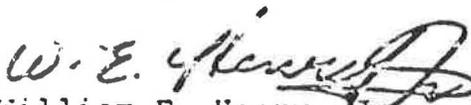
Dear Mr. Newman:

On August 3, 1976, we met with you to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The matters presented by you as well as the applicable contractual provisions have been reviewed and given careful consideration.

Under the provisions set forth in Article XVII, a steward's immediate supervisor has the responsibility for granting permission to leave the work area for Union related business. In order to assure that such requests are not unreasonably denied, the supervisor must determine the scope of the situation the steward is pursuing in order that an appropriate amount of time may be granted. Such actions do not violate the terms and conditions of the National Agreement; therefore, the grievance is denied.

Sincerely,


William E. Henry, Jr.
Labor Relations Department