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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW Washington, DC 20260

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Mr. Don Johnson

Administrative Vice President, Clerk Craft

American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO

817 - 14th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20005

Re: APWU - Local

Garden City, NY A8-N-0592/N8CIMC5969

APWU - 0592

Dear Mr. Johnson:

During 1980, we met several times on the above-captioned case at the fourth step of the contractual grievance procedure set forth in the 1978 National Agreement.

During our discussion, we concluded that at issue in this grievance is whether it is proper to assign mail handler employees to load and sweep the bar code machines.

After reviewing the information provided, it is our position that Operation 098 as listed in Regional Instruction 1085-PO-204 includes the operation of bar code readers. Accordingly, the primary craft designation is "clerk."

The time limits were extended in this instance by mutual consent.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Kahn

Labor Relations Department

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