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| ARTICLE | 14 |
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Re: Class Action
Miami, FL 33152
H8C-3W-C-27966

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On several occasions, the latest being July 16, 1982, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The question in this grievance is whether current nurse staffing at the Miami GMF violates Article XIV of the National Agreement.

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

The Union contends that the current staffing of nurses at the Miami GMF is inadequate and constitutes a safety hazard.

It is our position that no National interpretive issue involving the terms and conditions of the National Agreement is fairly presented in this case. Since the Union declined mutual agreement in this regard, the following represents the decision of the Postal Service on the particular fact circumstances involved.

It is the position of the U. S. Postal Service that nurse staffing at the Miami GMF is adequate. There is nurse coverage twenty-four hours a day, 5 days a week. This coverage is during the time periods when most of the employees are present for duty.