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American Postal Workers
Union, AFL-CIO
1300 L Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20005-4107

December 2, 1988

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Re: Class Action
Fort Myers, FL 33906
E4C-3S-C 38442

Dear Mr. Guffey:

On November 17, 1988, we met to discuss the above-captioned grievances at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in these grievances is management's action upon discovery of a possible explosive device.

After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in these cases. The parties agree that employees should not handle packages which have been identified as possible explosive devices. The policy of the U.S. Postal Service must be, and is, one of total concern for the safety and lives of those in the building threatened.

Accordingly, we agreed to remand these cases 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 these cases.