



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

April 18, 1983

ARTICLE	17
SECTION	4
SUBJECT	Step 2 Grievance

Mr. Kenneth Wilson  
Assistant Director  
Clerk Division  
American Postal Workers Union,  
AFL-CIO  
817 - 14th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20005-3399

Re: D. Stepleton  
Tacoma, WA 98413  
H1C-5D-C 7904

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On March 14, 1983, we met 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.

The issue in this grievance is whether management violates Article 17, Section 4, by not compensating the grievant for time spent discussing a step 2 grievance outside of his regular tour of duty.

After further review of the matter, we mutually agreed that there was no national interpretive issue fairly presented as to the meaning and intent of Article 17 of the National Agreement.

The dispute in this case is one more of application than interpretation and is suitable for regional determination.

Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to Step 3 for further development and consideration if necessary by the parties.

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