



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
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Washington, DC 20260

May 19, 1983

Mr. Halline Overby
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
National Association of Letter
Carriers, AFL-CIO
100 Indiana Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001-2197

Re: K. Kobylarz
Lansing, MI 48909
H1N-4B-C 11678

Dear Mr. Overby:

On March 1, 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 presented in the grievance pertains to the status of the grievant subsequent to reassignment to a position within the bargaining unit for which the American Postal Workers Union is the exclusive bargaining agent, as defined in Article 1, Section 1, of the 1981 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the U.S. Postal Service, the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC), AFL-CIO and the American Postal Workers Union (APWU), AFL-CIO. Therefore, it is our position that only the APWU has the right to pursue a grievance relevant to the issue presented, and the grievance presented by the NALC is procedurally defective. Accordingly, it is denied.

Local management will notify the grievant and the local union having jurisdiction of our decision. Time limits will be waived and a Step 1 grievance initiated by either party will be accepted relevant to this issue within 14 days of their notification.

Sincerely,


Thomas A. Lang

Labor Relations Department