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

> Re: E. Johnson Friendswood, TX 77546 H1N-3U-C 16069

Dear Mr. Overby:

On March 23, 1983, we met to discuss the above-captioned case at the fourth step of the contractual grievance procedure set forth in the 1981 National Agreement.

The question raised in this grievance involves whether an employee has the right to see a steward to discuss an issue that had been the topic of prior grievances.

After further review of this matter, we mutually agreed that no national interpretive issue is fairly presented in the particulars evidenced in this case. The parties agree that an employee is not precluded from seeing a steward to discuss an issue concerning a possible grievance, even though the same issue was previously discussed in other grievances. Therefore, this case is remanded to Step 1 for discussion and full development of the fact circumstances. The Step 1 discussion must occur within 14 days after receipt of this decision.

Accordingly, as we further agreed, this case is hereby remanded to the parties at Step 3 for further processing as stated above.

Please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter as your acknowledgment of agreement to remand this case.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. L

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Halline Overby

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