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Mr. Thomas D. Riley Assistant Secretary-Treasurer National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO 100 Indiana Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001

Re: M. Ball

Columbus, OH

NC-C-7656/5COL-1869

Dear Mr. Riley:

On August 25, 1977, we met with you 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.

Based on the evidence presented in this grievance, management properly denied the grievant's claim for the loss of his bicycle.

However, the employee should have been supplied with a Form 2146 to file a claim for lost property whether or not management had determined the legitimacy of that claim.

Therefore, it is our conclusion that no violation of the National Agreement occurred and the grievance is denied.

Sincerely,

(signed)

Michael J. Harrison Labor Relations Department