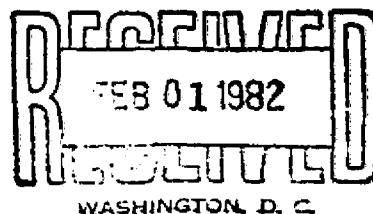




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National Association of Letter Carriers



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Mr. Joseph H. Johnson  
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National Association of Letter  
Carriers, AFL-CIO  
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Dear Mr. Johnson:


This refers to our meeting of January 12, during which we discussed the various provisions set forth in the revised M-39 Handbook.

With regard to our discussion on committed annual leave vs canceling annual leave for route inspection purposes, this will clarify that the provision set forth in Article 10, Section 4, D, is controlling. It is not the intent of the Postal Service to cancel annual leave approved during the vacation planning process in order to comport with subsequently scheduled route inspection periods.

As indicated during our discussions, it is not the intent of the Postal Service that route inspections be conducted in model units as part of the Model Delivery Unit Program. Enclosed for your information is a copy of our instructions to the field on this matter.

Our Delivery Services Department is currently pursuing the remaining provisions of the M-39 which we agreed should be discussed further. As soon as this information is available, we will advise your accordingly.

Sincerely,

  
William E. Henry, Jr.  
Director  
Office of Grievance and  
Arbitration  
Labor Relations Department

Enclosure