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Mr. Vincent R. Sombrotto President National Association of Letter Carriers, AFL-CIO 100 Indiana Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001-2144

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION UNIT N.A.L.C. WASHINGTON, D.C

Re: H94N-4H-C 98091130 Howell, H Dothan, AL 36302-9998

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

Recently, our representatives met in prearbitration discussions of the above-referenced case. The issue in this grievance is non-interpretive.

ELM 436.1, Corrective Entitlement, provides for back pay calculations for unwarranted personnel actions, including not only compensation but also allowances. ELM 935.23 provides for a reduction of 10% for LWOP in excess of 89 calendar days. In the instant case, the removal action was reduced to a ninety-day suspension. Accordingly, the uniform allowance in effect during the 1994-1998 CBA (\$277) must be reduced by 10%.

Accordingly, please sign and return the enclosed copy of this letter as your acknowledgement of agreement to remand this case for application based on the above understanding, removing it from the pending national arbitration listing.

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