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Mr. Vincent R. Sombrotto
 President
 National Association of Letter
 Carriers, AFL-CIO
 100 Indiana Avenue, NW
 Washington, DC 20001-2197

Re: D90N-4D-C 94002369
 CLASS ACTION
 LAUREL, MD 20707-9998

Dear Mr. Sombrotto:

On several occasions, I met with your representative, William Young, to discuss the above-captioned grievance at the fourth step of our contractual grievance procedure.

The issue in this grievance is whether Management violated the National Agreement by assigning a city letter carrier to perform duties in the rural carrier craft.

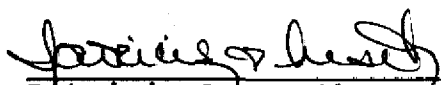
After reviewing this matter, we mutually agreed that city letter carriers may be assigned to perform duties in the rural carrier craft in emergency situations as specified in Article 3.F of the National Agreement.

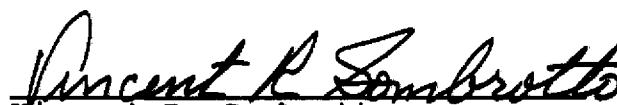
We further agreed to remand this case to the parties at Step 3 for further processing, or to be scheduled for arbitration, as appropriate, consistent with the above understanding.

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

Time limits were extended by mutual consent.

Sincerely,


 Patricia A. Heath
 Grievance and Arbitration
 Labor Relations


 Vincent R. Sombrotto
 President
 National Association of Letter
 Carriers, AFL-CIO

Date: 7-20-94