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To: Sam Lisenbe, Assistant Director, Clerk Division

From: **Debby Szeredy, Executive Vice President** National Executive Board

> Subject: Effective 3-13-2020 Handwritten Customs Declaration

> > Forms PS 2976 2976-A and B No Longer Accepted

(Notification No. GCCC20200130)

Please find attached a copy of a letter dated 3/18/2020 from Rickey Dean, regarding the above referenced matter.

You are designated as the APWU contact person in this matter. Contact the USPS representative as soon as possible for discussion, if appropriate. Please provide notification of your review to me by 4/17/2020.

Please note: Your secretary should update the Notification Tracking Module in Step 4 CAS as necessary.

Attachment

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March 18, 2020

Mr. Mark Dimondstein President American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO 1300 L Street, NW Washington, DC 20005-4128 **Certified Mail Tracking Number:** 7019 1640 0001 4464 7402

Dear Mark:

This letter is in further reference to the Postal Service notices regarding customs declaration forms. The most recent notice was dated December 8, 2017 (enclosed).

As previously informed, Sales and Service Associates (SSAs) must use PS Form 2976-R, *USPS Declaration and Dispatch Note*, when gathering package information from all customers mailing international packages (including military mail) that requires customs forms at retail windows.

Effective March 13, the Postal Service began exclusive use of PS Form 2976-R when transferring information from customers to SSAs for data entry. Handwritten customs declaration forms PS Form 2976, 2976-A, and 2976-B will no longer be accepted. Military Postal Service Agency (MPSA) personnel will stop accepting handwritten customs forms at all Military Post Offices (MPOs), Army Post Offices (APOs), Air Post Offices (APOs), and Fleet Post Offices (FPOs) beginning August 13.

If there are any questions, please contact April Cutchember at extension 6612.

Sincerely

Rickey R. Dean

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Enclosure





December 8, 2017

Mr. Mark Dimondstein President American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO 1300 L Street, NW Washington, DC 20005-4128 Certified Mail Tracking Number: 70161370000230148063

Dear Mark:

This letter is in further reference to the Postal Service enclosed notices dated May 13, 2016 and November 29 regarding customs declaration forms.

As previously informed, beginning January 18, 2018, the Postal Service will require all international and domestic packages that require a customs form for Army Post Offices (APOs), Fleet Post Offices (FPOs), Diplomat Post Offices (DPOs), US Possessions, Territories, or Freely Associated Stations destinations to use PS Form 2976-R, USPS Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note.

Additionally, Sales and Service Associates (SSAs) will be required to enter data from the PS Form 2976-R into the Customs and Boarder Protection Manifest (CBPMAN).

If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Richardson at extension 5842.

Sincerely,

Rickey R. Dean

Manager

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