## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The following constitutes an agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Information and Technology (OI&T) Field Operation Program Office and American Federation of Government Employees, (AFL-CIO) National Veterans Affairs Council #53 (NVAC) concerning OI&T Field Operations, Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Employees Tuition Reimbursement Program within Field Operation.

- 1. Bargaining Unit Members shall be informed of their opportunities and responsibilities under OI&T Field Operation SOP for Tuition Reimbursement Program. Specifically, bargaining unit members shall be advised of the following:
  - The limitations of the program.
  - How to apply for the tuition reimbursement program.
  - When reimbursement will occur.
  - How long an employee must remain employed after completion of coursework.
  - Situations requiring repayment of training costs.
  - How to apply for hardship waiver of training costs under the program.

2. Upon their receipt appropriate management officials shall provide a copy of this MOU to Local Union Presidents.

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