U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OFFICE OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT STANDARDS WASHINGTON, DC 20210

DETERMINATION

Determination of a Complaint Filed under Section 458.63 of the Assistant Secretary's Standards of Conduct Regulations (29 CFR 458.63) Issued pursuant to Section 7120(d) of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. 7120(d))

On April 21, 2017, the Secretary of Labor received a complaint alleging violations of Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations of the Assistant Secretary issued pursuant to Section 7120(d) of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (CSRA), in the regularly scheduled election of officers conducted on January 18, 2017, by American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) Local 1969 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Pursuant to Section 458.50 of the Rules and Regulations, the Chief of the Division of Enforcement of the Office of Labor Management Standards (OLMS) caused an investigation to be conducted by the Department of Labor. The investigation disclosed that the conduct of the challenged election may have violated Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations in that the union denied members the right to vote by failing to mail a ballot package to the last known home address of certain members whose addresses had not been updated by the union. The investigation also concluded that the union failed to mail a ballot package to one member, failed to mail a duplicate ballot to one member who requested one, and failed to re-mail a ballot package returned as undeliverable even after the member had notified the union of his updated address.

Apprised of these findings, AFGE Local 1969 agreed to conduct new nominations, a new election, and installation for the office of President, under the supervision of the Chief of the Division of Enforcement, in accordance with Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations of the Assistant Secretary. The agreed upon remedial election was concluded on December 14, 2017. It is, therefore,

<u>DETERMINED</u>, that there is probable cause to believe that violations of Section 458.29 of the Rules and Regulations occurred which may have affected the outcome of the election conducted by AFGE Local 1969, these violations have been remedied by the new election, conducted in accordance with Section 458.29, under the supervision of the Chief, Division of Enforcement, OLMS, which concluded on December 14, 2017.

Therefore, enforcement proceedings under Section 458.66 of the Rules and Regulations of the Assistant Secretary to set aside the election conducted on January 18, 2017 are not warranted.

Signed this 16th day of March 2018.

Sharon Hanley Chief, Division of Enforcement

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March 9, 2018



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The enclosed Determination represents the Department's final disposition of the matter mentioned therein.

Sincerely,

Sharon Hanley Chief, Division of Enforcement

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March 9, 2018

Andrew Peterson, President AFGE Local 1969 One Veterans Drive, Suite 4H-108 Minneapolis, MN 55417

Dear Mr. Peterson:

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Mr. J. David Cox, National President American Federation of Government Employees 80 F Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001

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