United States General Accounting Office Washington, DC 20548

Office of General Counsel

In Reply Refer to: B-201090 (JAB) January 28, 1981

Mr. L. R. Byrne Authorized Certifying Officer Regional Commissioner of Customs U.S. Customs Service Miami, Florida 33131

Dear Mr. Byrne:

This is in reference to your request of October 29, 1980, for our decision concerning overtime compensation for Custom Service employees at the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport. We are enclosing a letter we have received from Mr. Keith Poole, Assistant Counsel of the National freasury Employees Union, in which he asks that we decline to issue a decision pursuant to 4 C.F.R §21.7, as amended August 21, 1980.

You have informed us that this matter arose when the employee in question sent a grievance letter to your labor relations staff. Thus, because it appears that a grievance is still pending and because the Union has not joined in your request, we feel it would be inappropriate to issue a decision at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Piegins Assistant General Counsel

cc: Mr. Keith Poole

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