July 19, 1995

VIA UPS OVERNIGHT

Johnny Platt 2005 N.E. 36 Terrace Kansas City, MO 64116 James P. Hoffa 2593 Hounds Chase Troy, MI 48098

RE: Election Office Case No. P-107-JC43-MOI

Gentlemen:

A pre-election protest was filed with the Election Officer pursuant to Article XIV, Section 2(b) of the *Rules for the 1995-1996 IBT International Union Delegate and Officer Election ("Rules")* by Johnny Platt, a member of Local Union 41. By letter dated July 4, 1995, Platt contends that James P. Hoffa should be disqualified from seeking International office because he has waged a public relations campaign attacking the government and the enforcement of the Consent Decree.

These charges were investigated by Regional Coordinator Mike Gordon. The protester has presented no evidence to support a finding that any provision of the *Rules* has been violated. This protest is, therefore, DENIED.

Any interested party not satisfied with this determination may request a hearing before the Election Appeals Master within one day of receipt of this letter. The parties are reminded that, absent extraordinary circumstances, no party may rely upon evidence that was not presented to the Office of the Election Officer in any such appeal. Requests for a hearing shall be made in writing and shall be served on:

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Copies of the request for a hearing must be served on the parties listed above as well as upon the Election Officer, 400 North Capitol Street, Suite 855, Washington, D.C. 20001, Facsimile (202) 624-3525. A copy of the protest must accompany the request for a hearing.

Sincerely,

Barbara Zack Quindel Election Officer

cc: Election Appeals Master Kenneth Conboy Regional Coordinator Mike Gordon