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By Email: Mark.Lew@esta.vic.gov.au

Dear Mark

Re: HEALTH AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVES (HSRs)

AEAV members in Ambulance have contacted us to raise concerns about the access they have to HSRs. At present, there are 4 elected HSRs for Ambulance, one for each shift. A number are in call-taking and a number are in dispatch. Concerns raised with us relate to call-takers not having access to a HSR if the HSR is designated dispatch and vice versa.

In accordance with section 44 of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004*, members have requested that we undertake negotiations with ESTA for additional work groups that will successfully ensure both call-taking and dispatch shifts within Ambulance are most conveniently represented and safeguarded.

Our members wish for us to act as their representatives in these discussions as allowed by section 44(5) of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004*.

To allow the 14-day timeframe for the commencement of negotiations to be met, your response to this correspondence is requested by **14 May 2021**. Should you wish to discuss this matter, Industrial Officer Max Resic has carriage of this matter.

Regards



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Secretary
Ambulance Employees Australia Victoria (AEAV)

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