The University offers the following proposal to amend the collective bargaining agreement between the University of Massachusetts Amherst (University or Administration) and the UAW, Local 2223, Graduate Student Organization (the Union or GEO).

1. Amend Article 48, as follows:

At least forty-five ~~sixty~~ days prior to the first day of classes, TAs and TOs will be informed of their assignments. Any changes made as a result of changed or unforeseen circumstances will not be subject to this deadline. ~~This Article shall be subject to Article 31, Grievance Procedure, through Level Two only, and shall not be subject to Level Three~~. ~~When a grievance is submitted concerning this Article, the affected graduate student employee shall be required to perform and continue performing the duties as assigned or reassigned by the Administration pending the outcome of the grievance.~~ The provisions of this Article shall not apply to graduate student employees in the Division of Continuing Education.

The provisions of this Article shall be subject to the Expedited Procedure contained in Article 31.