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OFFICE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BOARD OF CERTIFICATION

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In the Matter of

NEW YORK CITY LOCAL 246, B.S.E.I.U., AFL-CIO

DECISION NO. 13-68

-and-

DOCKET NO. RU-27-67

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC

DECISION AND CERTIFICATION

New York City Local 246, B.S.E.I.U., AFL-CIO, herein called Petitioner, filed its petition herein with the New York City Department of Labor on April 3, 1967.

This proceeding was transferred to the Board of Certification, pursuant to Rule 13.13 of the Consolidated Rules of the Office of Collective Bargaining, effective January 2, 196\$.

Upon consideration of the investigation made by the Department of Labor, and of its own investigation, the Board of Certification issues the following decision.

I. <u>Undisputed Matters</u>

It is undisputed, and we find and conclude, that Petitioner is a public employee organization in fact and within the meaning of the New York City Collective Bargaining Law.

II. The Appropriate Unit

Petitioner requests certification as the exclusive bargaining representative of a unit consisting of the auto mechanics in the Department of Traffic.

The Labor Department heretofore has found appropriate for purposes of collective bargaining departmental units consisting of various automotive titles, including auto mechanic. (See, e.g., Department of Parks, 4 NYCDL 63; Fire Department, 6 NYCDL 43; Department of Public Works, 6 NYCDL 8.) The Department of Traffic employs auto mechanics but none of the other titles included n such automotive units. In the Department of Traffic the auto mechanics thus constitute the automotive group.

No public employee organization has petitioned for a citywide automotive trades unit, and these auto mechanics are a readily identifiable and homogeneous group of skilled employees with common interests. Accordingly, we find that they constitute a unit appropriate for the purposes of collective bargaining.

III. Representative Status

Our investigation establishes that a majority of the auto mechanics employed in the Department of Traffic have authorized dues check-off deductions in behalf of Petitioner. Accordingly, we shall issue a certification.

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to the power vested in the Board of Certification by the New York City Collective Bargaining Law, it is hereby

CERTIFIED, that New York City Local 246, B.S.E.I.U., AFL-CIO, has been designated and selected by a majority of the auto mechanics employed in the Department of Traffic as their representative for the purposes of collective bargaining and that it is the exclusive representative of all said employees for such purposes.

DATED: New York, N.Y.

May 28, 1968

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