FLRA OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL
ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF TSA RUNOFF ELECTION

Employees of the Transportation Security Administration have voted on the question of union representation, in a nationwide runoff election conducted by the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA). Because the first election, which was completed on April 20, 2011, resulted in none of the choices receiving a majority of the votes cast, a runoff election was held between the two choices receiving the highest votes -- the American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO, and the National Treasury Employees Union.

Since May 23, 2011, Transportation Security Officers (TSOs) at airports throughout the country have been voting by telephone and internet. The results of the runoff election released today by the FLRA show 8,903 votes for the American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO, and 8,447 votes for the National Treasury Employees Union.

The FLRA administers the labor-management relations program for 1.6 million non-Postal Federal employees worldwide, approximately 1.1 million of whom are represented in 2,200 collective bargaining units. The FLRA is charged with providing leadership in establishing policies and guidance related to Federal sector labor-management relations and with resolving disputes under, and ensuring compliance with, the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute.

The FLRA’s Office of General Counsel (OGC) is the independent investigative and prosecutorial component of the FLRA. The OGC, through its seven regional offices, investigates, resolves, and prosecutes unfair labor practice charges, resolves representation questions, which includes the conduct of secret ballot elections, and provides training and assistance to parties on establishing productive and cooperative labor-management relations.

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