

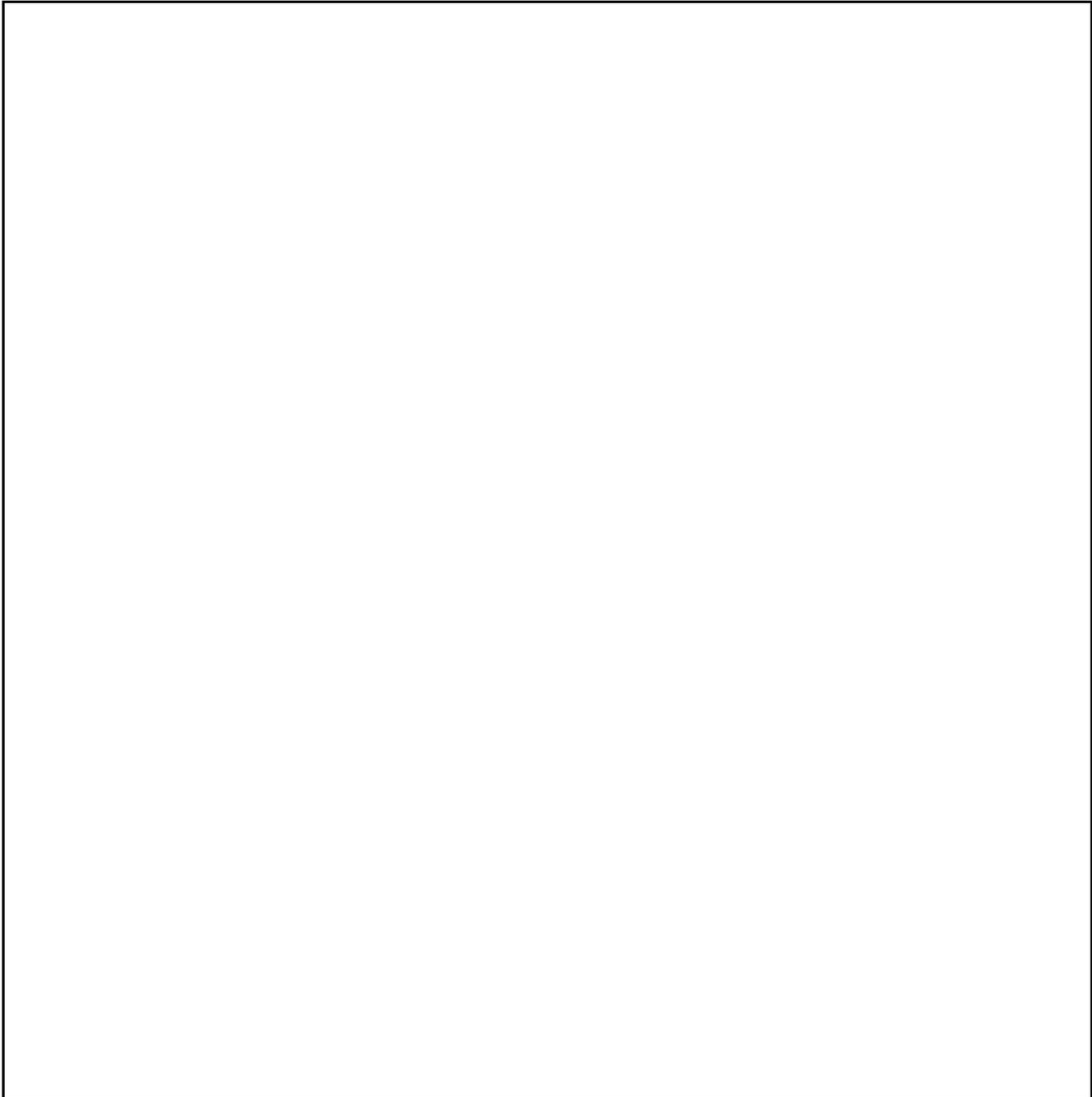
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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDCI

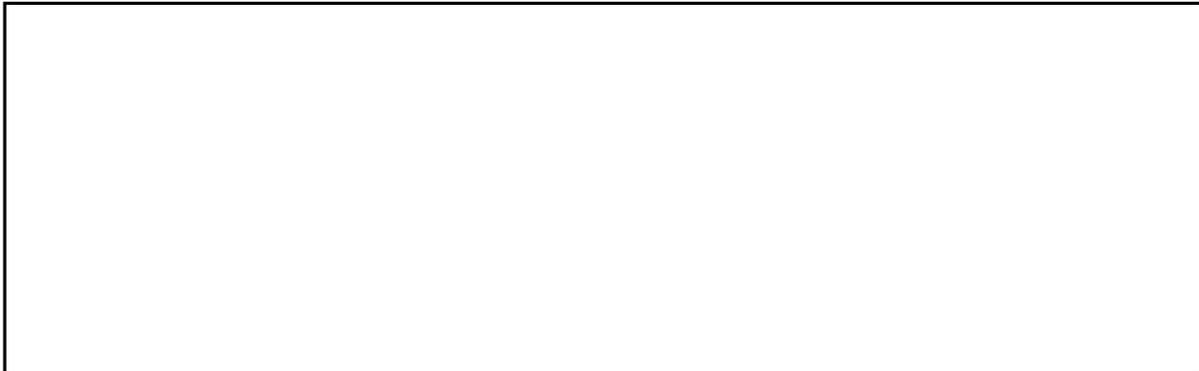
SUBJECT: The Commitment of the Balance of the
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7. Procurement in the field is now limited to sums allocated quarterly in advance and segregated at headquarters for that purpose. Monthly reports are now required by headquarters covering the amount of such allocations which are obligated in the field.

8. In cooperation with the Logistics Division of FE, the Procurement Office is checking warehouse inventories and setting up property control systems with stock control cards and locator cards, but this will not be completed for an estimated 90 days. Until then, we will not know exactly what is on hand.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we authorize the commitment of the uncommitted balance of the [redacted] This recommendation is based upon the Director's recent estimate that sooner or later we will be called upon to make an optimum effort in this area. Since it is clear from the above that we have on hand and in pipeline more than sufficient quantities to outlast the lead time necessary for procurement if the present rate of consumption is not very substantially stepped up, the decision with respect to committing the balance of the reserve must rest entirely upon this estimate.

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2. That DD/A be authorized to implement personnel, if necessary, and to provide necessary IBM equipment in order to complete the inventory control system so that we may establish inventory accountability on a basis which can be adequately checked.

Stuart Hedden
Inspector General

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