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Circular A-76 Response

22 OCT 1976

Mr. Hugh E. Witt, Administrator
Federal Procurement Policy
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Witt:

Your memorandum on Guidelines for Application of OMB Circular A-76 to Government ADP Requirements, to the Heads of Executive Departments and Establishments, dated 10 August 1976, has been referred to me for response.

We are in agreement with the general desire to use commercial services whenever possible. The guidance in your draft transmittal memorandum appears in concert with our own general approach to ADP products. Indeed, an analysis of our planned FY 1978 ADP program shows that a substantial percentage of our ADP dollars go to commercial sources - and we regularly consider contracting out when weighing alternative methods of implementing our ADP programs.

As you are aware, we are required to protect our sources and methods, as well as sensitive information provided by other organizations. At times, therefore, we are precluded from using external services. Notwithstanding this, and in order to meet the spirit of the guidelines of Circular A-76, we plan to continue reporting directly to our OMB Examiner on the matters covered by the circular.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

James H. Taylor
Comptroller

cc: Mrs. Nanette Blandin

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Remarks:

Jim,

yes - as you suggest -

Nanette Blandin asked if we could declassify this. OMB would like to use and distribute responses in an unclassified manner.

Though the present wording is somewhat innocuous, making the penned change would make it more so. What's your feeling? I'll be glad to follow through.

I guess I don't understand why we classified the original - certainly not

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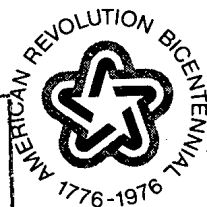
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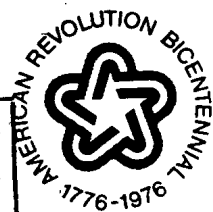
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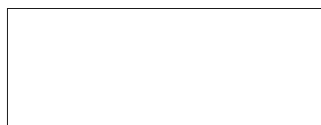
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