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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: CSC Job Evaluation and Pay Review Task Force

- 1. The Task Force is preparing legislation which could eliminate the Agency's existing exemption from the classification act and impose related reporting and audit procedures on the Agency which do not now exist.
- 2. Under the law under which the Task Force was established, recommendations to the Congress are due by 17 March 1972 (Public Law 91-216).
- 3. Because eventual legislation is in the offing, I've kept in periodic contact with representatives of the Office of Personnel who have been in liaison with the Task Force and who I understand have made reports within command channels. In these exchanges I have pointed out that it is important that an Agency position with respect to the proposals be arrived at at the earliest possible date and be made known to and favorably acted upon within the Executive Branch before the proposals are submitted to the Congress.

4. Today I was assured by		Deputy Director
of Personnel for Plans and Control	ol, that a position paper is now in	
channels (DDS to Colonel White with coordination for OGC and OLC).		
The paper recommends a complete exemption from the proposed legis-		
lation for the Agency and, as a fallback position, exemption from certain		
features involving external audit. In response to my question,		
said that the paper as released by him did not deal either		
with the mechanics of obtaining external approval of the Agency's position		
or the importance of obtaining this approval within the Executive Branch		
before recommendations are finalized and submitted to the Congress.		
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