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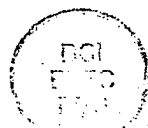
FROM: George H.F. Oberlander
Acting Executive Director

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Adopted Federal Employment and Federal
Facilities Elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the
National Capital

We wish to thank all of the agencies, organizations and individuals who reviewed and commented on these two important Federal elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital. Enclosed for your information are copies of both elements as adopted by the Commission on March 3, 1983 and a copy of the related Executive Director's Report which summarizes the Commission's evaluation of all of the comments received. The adopted elements reflect the modifications made by the Commission after its review and evaluation of the comments and suggestions received.

These are the fourth and fifth Federal elements to be adopted by the Commission. A sixth element, Parks, Open Space and Natural Features, was adopted on June 2, 1983 after public review and comment. A seventh proposed element, Preservation and Historic Features, is currently being circulated for public review and comment and is expected to be adopted this summer. The eighth and last of the proposed Federal elements identified to date by the Commission, Visitors and Tourists, is expected to be completed and circulated for public review and comment about the end of the calendar year.

These two elements contain important policies relative to future proposed land acquisition, construction, leasing and other activities by Federal agencies and departments in the National Capital Region. They provide guidance to those Federal agencies that submit proposed projects, plans or programs in the Region to the Commission for review and comment or approval. We urge that those responsible for making such submissions in your agency acquaint themselves with these adopted policies prior to future submissions.



In view of the anticipated significant reductions in Federally-occupied leased space in the Region between now and the year 2000, the Commission has requested that all Federal agencies planning to locate and/or relocate concentrations of Federal employment into, out of, or within the Region, submit all proposals involving 100,000 square feet or more of leased space, together with an analysis of their economic impact on the Region and on affected jurisdictions. Such proposals should be sent to the Commission for regional referral, review and comment prior to taking any action thereon.

Your cooperation in the Commission's efforts to successfully implement these and other adopted Federal elements of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital is appreciated.

Thank you again for your comments and suggestions.

Enclosure