

and Director, Selective Service System. You will note that the members consist of both career and appointed individuals. This group will be meeting monthly, and is open to suggestions from any AMIG agency as to topics that AMIG should pursue. We are also interested in suggestions for additional briefings or other activities for all AMIG members.

The Steering Committee has decided to organize a number of specialized committees, centered around particular types of agencies or areas of interest. Participation in the efforts of these committees will be open to all agencies or other entities. If your agency wishes to involve itself as a member of any of these committees, or if you wish to be placed on a committee's mailing list, please contact the below listed chairmen of those committees organized to date.

✓ Audit and Investigative Services Committee

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✓ Automation/Computers Committee

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Contracting Issues Committee

Mr. John K. Scales
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Government Corporations Committee

Mr. Charles C. Tharp
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✓ SES Issues Committee

Honorable Herbert E. Ellingwood
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Small Agencies Committee

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✓ Travel Regulations Committee

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These committees are all in the process of organizing themselves. The Small Agencies Committee, for example, is holding a workshop on OMB Circular A-123 next week, and a general meeting will be held here at the Conference on July 28th. (We are defining "small," for the purpose of this Committee, as 100 or fewer employees.) The Travel Regulations and SES Issues Committees are considering, respectively, draft documents concerning a proposed "flat rate" travel allowance system, and a proposal to establish a commonly-managed career SES development program for smaller agencies. Each Committee Chairman also welcomes your inquiries or suggestions.

I hope that you will decide to actively participate in AMiG activities. This Administration places great importance on efficiency in government. The President and his most senior advisors are personally very interested in these issues, as is evident by the creation of a Cabinet Council on management issues and by the efforts of the Reform '88 group. AMiG will give you an opportunity to support these initiatives in concert with other agencies throughout the Federal establishment. There is some evidence that smaller organizations are in fact more efficient and better managed than the large departments. Perhaps, working together, we can demonstrate that this is so, and can take the lead for the entire government on one or more specific management issues. I think we, the small and medium sized units of government, can significantly contribute to President Reagan's programs to make government work better, and in some areas we can take the lead from the large departments.

Again, please feel free to call or write to me, or to any of the Committee Chairmen with any thoughts or suggestions--positive or negative. I look forward to hearing from you.