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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE DOMESTIC POLICY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: Privatization

On March 18, 1987, the Council discussed proposals by the Privatization Working Group calling for a new associate director in OMB and a special contact person in each agency to handle privatization issues. The Working Group also recommended that a report to the Council on possible privatization initiatives be prepared by each agency. It was agreed by all that privatization is a high priority for the Administration, and that we should continue to seek opportunities for privatizing as many governmental activities as are appropriate.

Consistent with the Council discussion, OMB is moving ahead with appointment of a person to assume responsibility for operational coordination of privatization activities through the budget process. It was to be the responsibility of each department and agency head to determine whether they wish to designate a contact person within their organization. Regardless, it is felt the Cabinet department head must take an individual interest in each initiative if it is to have a chance of success.

The Privatization Working Group, chaired by Thomas Moore of CEA, has asked that departments and agencies identify possible privatization initiatives within their areas. The Attorney General has asked that these be submitted no later than May 1, 1987, so that the Working Group can begin working with departments in further developing their initiatives.

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