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TO MEMBERS OF REGIONAL COMMITTEE  
FOR TERRITORIAL ASSISTANCE

I am enclosing for your review and files a copy of the minutes from our first meeting of August 26, 1977. Please contact me if you have any additions, corrections or comments.

I am also enclosing a questionnaire which has been prepared by our subcommittee which I appointed at our August 26th meeting. The purpose of the questionnaire is to obtain a summary of the programs which are currently available or authorized through your agency to the territories of American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands and Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands.

In preparing the questionnaire, the subcommittee was guided by several assumptions. For your information they are:

1. The information is being gathered to provide committee members with a quick summary of programs provided by each agency.
2. The information is intended primarily for internal use to aid different Federal agencies in coordinating their program activities in the territories.
3. There is no need to duplicate the information contained in the Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance.
4. Committee members who sense from the summary that their own programs should be coordinated with another agency's programs can obtain details from the appropriate committee member.
5. If the committee needs more detailed information, it will be obtained on a case-by-case basis.

After the questionnaire has been completed by the concerned bureaus or offices within your agency, I would appreciate it if you would provide

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me with 25 copies of a package consisting of a covering memorandum to me listing the programs of your agency in alphabetical order and attaching the questionnaires in the same order. You may either bring the packages to our next meeting, or if you prefer, send them to my Field office in San Francisco in time for our next meeting (you will find the address on your roster of members).

Just a reminder, you will note on page three of the enclosed minutes that you are to send a letter to me by October 17th identifying the major problem areas involving your programs which you believe should be addressed by our committee.

Prior to our next meeting of October 26th, I shall mail you a proposed agenda. Any suggestions will be welcomed.



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Chairman  
Regional Committee for  
Territorial Assistance