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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

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ATTENTION : [redacted] Special Assistant  
to the DD/S

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SUBJECT : Proposed Change to [redacted] 4 April 1953

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1. On 5 December 1952, the Agency published a Notice, [redacted] entitled "Provision of Government Quarters Overseas." Paragraph 2.a. of this Notice authorized quarters to be furnished with Agency procured furniture in those areas in which emergency conditions are determined to exist under the provisions of Section 5 (a)(1)(D) of Public Law 110. Paragraph 2.a. of this Notice indicated that when the above circumstances obtained, maximum weight of household goods and personal effects (exclusive of an automobile and personal baggage) which may be shipped at government expense to and from (underlining supplied) a foreign station is 3,000 pounds gross weight. It is recognized that the government has a moral responsibility to return to the United States those amounts of household goods and personal effects authorized to be shipped to overseas areas prior to the issuance of this Notice.

2. On 3 March 1953, the Agency published [redacted] 25X1 "Provision of Quarters Overseas," incorporating the provisions of the above quoted Notice. Paragraph 12.a. of this regulation read as follows: "Personal transferring to (underlining supplied) a permanent post of duty abroad at which furnished quarters will be provided will be authorized to transport miscellaneous personal and household effects up to 3,000 pounds gross weight."

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3. On 27 November 1953, paragraph 12.a., [redacted] was amended to read as follows: "Personal transferring to or from (underlining supplied) a permanent post of duty abroad at which furnished quarters will be or have been provided will be authorized to transport miscellaneous personal and household effects up to 3,000 pounds of gross weight. . . ." This amendment was made at the request of the Office of the Comptroller and the Logistics Office to clarify the intent of this regulation that the 3,000 pounds limitation applied to return shipments as well as shipments overseas which was established as Agency policy by the Agency Notice of 5 December 1952.

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4. The Office of the General Counsel in conjunction with [redacted] Special Assistant to the Deputy Director (Support) has proposed a change (copy attached as enclosure 1) to the present [redacted] 4 April 1955. The effect of this proposed change would retroactively authorize reimbursement for those amounts of household goods and personal effects in excess of 3,000 pounds (up to the amount of effects authorized when Agency procured furniture is not provided, paragraph 10.e., [redacted], which were returned from overseas by Agency personnel during the period 3 March 1953 through 27 November 1953.

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5. The reason for limiting shipments to 3,000 pounds under the circumstances outlined above was that the Agency would be providing government-owned furniture and it was felt that the 3,000 pounds allowance would adequately serve the purpose of allowing the individual to give his quarters a more comfortable and personal touch. In this manner, the government would not be put to the expense of shipping full weight allowances to and from overseas areas in addition to the expense in purchasing furniture to be provided in quarters.

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6. a. This Office concurs in amendment of [redacted] as follows:

"Employees will be authorized to return to the United States those amounts of household goods and personal effects which they were properly authorized to ship to the overseas area; provided the total amount to be returned plus any amounts in storage at government expense does not exceed the employee's over-all weight allowances. In the event that changes in allowances of household goods and personal effects are made, personnel in overseas areas shall be authorized to return to the United States the new allowances in those instances wherein the new allowances are greater than the previous ones."

b. For the reasons outlined in paragraphs 1 through 5 above, this Office does not concur in an amendment to [redacted] 25X1 4 April 1955, which would retroactively authorize return shipments to the United States in excess of 3,000 pounds when Agency quarters were furnished with Agency procured furniture in emergency areas during the period 3 March 1953 through 27 November 1953.

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Director of Logistics

1 Enclosure:

Proposed Change to present  
[redacted] 4 April 1955

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