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MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel White

SUBJECT : Recording and Follow-up of Accounts Due as a Result of Liquidation of Proprietary Projects

1. You had asked that the attached papers be forwarded for your reading. Tab A is the procedure instituted by the Comptroller to provide appropriate follow-up on amounts due the Agency resulting from liquidation of proprietary projects. Tab B is a review by PAPS which indicates that a promissory note taken in accordance with the terms of an Administrative Plan for a project was not properly signed and was not redeemed when due.

2. The receipt of Tab B coincident with Tab A raised the question "Should the Comptroller also include in his procedures provisions for follow-up on receivables resulting from transactions and operations other than liquidation?" I think after you have reviewed the material, it might be in order to ask the Comptroller for his views. I think, however, that action by DD/S elements alone will not be sufficient to prevent the type of situation outlined in Tab B from developing, inasmuch as operations officers and case officers within DD/P have the operational contacts and are the only members of the Agency who can carry out the provisions of such plans.

3. Might this be an appropriate time to consider whether some sort of an audit within DD/P by DD/P personnel could be arranged, so that noncompliance with provisions of Administrative Plans by operational personnel would be brought to the attention of proper officials in a matter of weeks or months rather than in a matter of years?

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