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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Comptroller

**VIA :** Deputy Director, Intelligence

**SUBJECT :** Stenowriter Proposal

**REFERENCE :** Memo for Comptroller fr Chief, AIFPS and Chief, FID  
 dtd 11 April 63, subj: Procurement of Automation  
 for FID

In response to oral discussions with members of your office in connection with referenced memorandum, the AIFPS recently prepared a single set of system specifications which were submitted to IBM and ETEK for return comment.

Proposals were received on 26 June from both companies and the salient features of each have since been aired and discussed with representatives of the operating components concerned. In addition, a comparative evaluation and recommendation was prepared jointly by AIFPS and FID (see attachment).

On 9 July, at the request of the Executive Director, the proposals and the evaluation were reviewed by the AIF Committee. The Committee identified certain risks in the project as outlined, risks which may reduce the anticipated benefits to be derived therefrom. However, in view of the urgency of making progress in the MF area, and the options available for minimizing the outlay of capital, the Committee concluded that the risks are acceptable.

The Committee accordingly concurs in the joint AIFPS/FID proposal and recommends the following course of action:

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