OPERATIONAL GUIDANCE FOR EMERGENCY MOBILIZATION PREPAREDNESS

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the emergency mobilization preparedness effort is an improved national capability to respond to major peacetime and wartime emergencies. Associated with this objective are the following principal goals:

- To produce a Presidential statement of national policy on emergency mobilization.
- To develop a plan of action to improve emergency mobilization preparedness consistent with this policy.

POLICY

The proposed policy on national emergency mobilization preparedness shall be consistent with the Administration's policies for the economy and national defense. It should call for preparedness programs and activities that will provide for the maximum civilian contribution to the military operations which may be required to cope with the emergencies for which the Department of Defense is now preparing as well as for the continuation of essential civilian services. It shall also provide for effective utilization of military resources to assist civilian authorities in responding to peacetime and wartime emergencies.

The proposed policy and plan for national emergency mobilization preparedness should be formulated in light of the fiscal constraints operative through FY 83. Improvements in our preparedness capabilities should be accomplished through more effective use of existing resources and through their reallocation from less important programs. Individual agencies will be responsible for implementing the plans and programs. After consultation with the Office of Management and Budget, periodic assessments on strengths and limitations of each agency's plans and programs will be prepared by the EMPB. These assessments will be used for future planning purposes.

STRUCTURE

THE EMERGENCY MOBILIZATION PREPAREDNESS BOARD

Chairman:

The Assistant to the President for National

Security Affairs

Membership:

Department of State
Department of Treasury
Department of Defense
Department of Justice
Department of Interior
Department of Agriculture
Department of Commerce
Department of Labor
Department of Health &
Human Services
Department of Housing &
Urban Development
Department of Transportation

Department of Energy
Department of Education
Office of Management & Budget
Central Intelligence Agency
National Security Council Staff
Office of Policy Development
Organization of the Joint Chiefs
of Staff
Office of Science & Technology Policy
Federal Emergency Management Agency

Office of Personnel Management

Deputy Counsellor to the President

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And such others as the President may designate from time to time.

Representatives will be at the Deputy Secretary/Under Secretary level.

Functions

- o Formulation of recommendations concerning policy for emergency mobilization preparedness.
- o Development of policy guidance documents for working groups and agencies to implement approved policies and plans of action.
- o Resolution of mobilization preparedness issues within the framework of current Administration policy.

Tasks

- o Formulation for Presidential review of a proposed statement of national policy on emergency mobilization preparedness.
- O Development of a recommended plan of emergency mobilization preparedness improvements consistent with the proposed statement of policy.

WORKING GROUPS

Area

Economic Stabilization and
Public Finance
Military Mobilization
Emergency Communications
Law Enforcement and Public
Safety
Food - Agriculture
Industrial Mobilization
Human Resources
Social Services
Health
Government Operations
Civil Defense

Agency Chairman

Department of Treasury
Department of Defense
Departments of Defense/Commerce

Department of Justice
Department of Agriculture
Department of Commerce
Department of Labor
Department of Health & Human Services
Department of Health & Human Services
Federal Emergency Management Agency
Federal Emergency Management Agency

Membership

Working Group membership will be determined by each Working Group Chairman, subject to approval of the Board. The Chairman of each Working Group will be at the Assistant Secretary level or equivalent. Agency representatives to the Working Groups will be at the Deputy Assistant Secretary level or higher.

Functions

- o Provide a mechanism for interdepartmental coordination of emergency mobilization policies and plans.
- o Advise the Board on national policy for emergency mobilization preparedness.
- o Advise the Board on activities to be included in the plan of action to improve emergency mobilization preparedness.
- o Assist the Board in monitoring and assessing the implementation of guidance on policy and the plan of action.
- o Report to the Board emergency mobilization preparedness measures undertaken by member agencies.

Policy

Due to the fiscal constraints through FY 83 the Working Groups are to concentrate on the identification of preparedness measures that will enable the government to make more effective use of existing national resources. Therefore the Groups should give attention to the following:

- Clarification and rationalization of the emergency mobilization roles, responsibilities and authorities of Federal agencies.
- o Improvement in mobilization response procedures.
- O Development of measures to facilitate the smooth transition from routine to emergency operations.
- O Attainment of better coordination between civilian and military mobilization planners.

Initial Tasks

- O Identify emergency mobilization preparedness activities programmed by agencies in FY 82 and 83.
- O Determine the resources devoted to these activities in FY 82 and 83.
- O Prepare an inventory of legislation/regulations impacting on emergency mobilization capabilities subject to approval of the EMPB.

SECRETARIAT

Chairman

The Secretariat will be chaired by a senior official of FEMA, who will be designated by the Director of FEMA and will be referred to as the Executive Secretary of the EMPB.

Membership

Members of the Secretariat will come from FEMA and other Federal agencies represented on the Board (detailees). The Executive Secretary will select the members and determine the proper mix of FEMA and other agency representatives.

Functions

- o Provide staff support to the Chairman and members of the EMPB.
- Coordinate activities of the Working Groups.
- o Provide a liaison between EMPB and the Working Groups.