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TO : Chief of Staff

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FROM : Comptroller

SUBJECT: Report by the Inspector to the Director on Analytical
Machine Employment, dated 15 August 1952.

1. The following comments are offered on the recommendations contained in the subject report:

a. Prior to consideration of the proposed reorganization as recommended in paragraph 7a, it is believed that the validity and acceptance of the definitions contained in paragraph 4 must be resolved. If these two functions of programming and scheduling are considered to be homogeneous, little would be gained by reorganization. On the other hand, if it is determined that the functions are of a heterogeneous nature, consideration should be given to reorganization regardless of whether it involves O2T or is confined to 22. We believe the Machine Methods Branch needs organizational emancipation to perform top level scheduling, leaving second-level scheduling to 22 and programming to the Branches. Personnel requirements should be determined on the basis of workload factors which are not included in the report.

b. There is no doubt that small, decentralized machine installations could be economically used by individual analytical sections to test ideas before submitting bulk jobs to the Machine Division. Such general dispersion should be preceded by a pilot installation in order that difficulties could be eliminated and gains measured on a realistic basis for general dispersion. An approach along those lines would be concurred in by this office.

c. Concur

d. Concur in transferring scheduling to O2T.

(1). Believe it impracticable to merge IBM and RAM in one Branch.
Concur in reorganization "labor-savers" versus "revolutionizers".

(2). Concur

(3). Believe this must be larger to perform second-level scheduling.

e. Concur

f. Presently authorized 282 military plus 619 civilians for total of 901. Actually assigned 216 military plus 582 civilians. Concur in sub-paragraphs 1 & 2 but feel a more detailed study of workload should be made prior to augmentation of personnel spaces.

g. Concur. The Comptroller will help in any way possible.

h. No comment

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