REPLY From Corregion-Bataan Memorial Commission

CORREGIDOR-BATAAN MEMORIAL COMMISSION, Washington, D.C., February 18, 1965.

Hon. John E. Moss, Chairman, Foreign Operations and Government Subcommittee, House of Representatives.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In reply to your letter of February 12, 1965, requesting answers to a number of questions bearing on section 3 of the Administrative Procedure Act of 1946 (5 U.S.C. 1002), the following information is submitted:

The legislative task of this Commission does not involve section 3 of the Ad-

ministrative Procedure Act of 1946.

Consequently, answers to questions 1 through 11 inclusive would be "None." In answer to the request contained in the last paragraph of your letter, I wish to say that because our activities have no bearing on 5 U.S.C. 1002, that no regulations, directives, orders, or documents have ever been issued by this agency.

If further information is desired please telephone Samuel G. Kelly, Executive

Director, code 148, extension 3953.

Sincerely yours,

SAMUEL G. KELLY, Executive Director.

REPLY From DISTINGUISHED CIVILIAN SERVICE AWARDS BOARD

DISTINGUISHED CIVILIAN SERVICE AWARDS BOARD, Washington, D.C., March 12, 1965.

Hon. John E. Moss.

Chairman, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Government Information, Committee on Government Operations, House of Representatives.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Your letter of February 12, 1965, addressed to me as Executive Secretary, Distinguished Civilian Service Awards Board, asks for replies to a number of questions that relate generally to the functions of Federal

I do not believe that the function of the Distinguished Civilian Service Awards

Board is of the type to which the questions are applicable.

The Board has only one function—that of submitting recommendations to the President concerning his annual selections for (a) the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, and (b) the President's Medal of Freedom.

This function is carried out entirely as a part-time responsibility and incidental duty by the Board members, who are the following:

George W. Ball, Under Secretary of State.

Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, Attorney General.

Anthony J. Celebrezze, Secretary, Health, Education, and Welfare.

W. Willard Wirtz, Secretary, Department of Labor.

Cyrus R. Vance, Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense.

Arthur S. Goldberg, Justice, Supreme Court.

Bob Hope, motion picture artist.

Dr. Lee A. Dubridge, president, California Institute of Technology.

Samuel I. Newhouse, newspaper publisher.

Mary McGrory, newspaper writer.

Generally the Board has two meetings each year—one on the Presidential Medal of Freedom and one on the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Service.

Staff service for the Board is also performed on a part-time basis by myself and several members of my staff.

In specific relation to 5 U.S.C. 1002 and in response to the items listed under question number 2 of your letter:

The Board has no central or field organization except for the 10 Board members and the Executive Secretary

The function of the Board is to advise the President on two specific awards Consequently the Board considers nominations submitted by Board members or others, and then makes recommendations to the President.