from the improvements in the region's economic base made through the Appalachian and other development programs.

7. Coordination and cooperation

(a) Within this office.—The size of the staff (60) makes coordination relatively simple and the staff organization (see fig. 1) provides for effective administration.

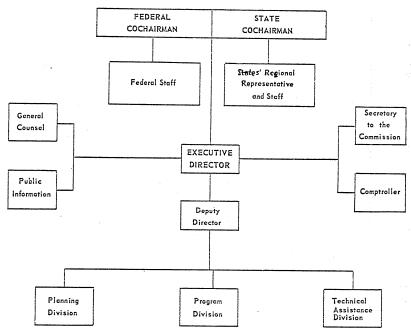


FIGURE 1.—Appalachian Regional Commission.

(b) With other units of this agency.—There are no other units.

(c) With Federal Government agencies.—One of the duties of the Commission as directed by Congress is to coordinate with the Federal Government on Appalachian development. To further this purpose the Federal Cochairman of the Commission is Chairman of a Federal Development Committee for Appalachia composed of representatives of pertinent Federal agencies. The Committee meets periodically to coordinate programs and discuss policy. In addition, the Federal Cochairman and his staff are in frequent touch with Federal agencies concerning projects, programs and policies affecting the Appalachian development program.

(d) With State governments.—The Governors of the 12 Appalachian States belong to the Commission, and they or their representatives attend the meetings and recommend projects and programs. The States have appointed a State's regional representative, who is the functional equivalent of the Federal Cochairman and whose office is at Commission headquarters. Members of the Commission staff are in frequent contact with State representatives on technical matters concerning projects and programs.