# (c) Independent collection by an agency is prohibited.

While any such order or modified order is in effect, no Federal agency covered by such order shall obtain for itself any information which it is the duty of the collecting agency designated by such order to obtain.

### (d) Determination for necessity of information; hearing.

Upon the request of any party having a substantial interest, or upon his own motion, the Director is authorized within his discretion to make a determination as to whether or not the collection of any information by any Federal agency is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of such agency or for any other proper purpose. Before making any such determination, the Director may, within his discretion, give to such agency and to other interested persons an adequate opportunity to be heard or to submit statements in writing. To the extent, if any, that the Director determines the collection of such information by such agency is unnecessary, either because it is not needed for the proper performance of the functions of such agency or because it can be obtained from another Federal agency or for any other reason, such agency shall not thereafter engage in the collection of such information.

#### (e) Cooperation of agencies in making information available.

For the purposes of sections 139-139f of this title, the Director is authorized to require any Federal agency to make available to any other Federal agency any information which it has obtained from any person after December 24, 1942, and all such agencies are directed to cooperate to the fullest practicable extent at all times in making such information available to other such agencies: Provided, That the provisions of sections 139-139f of this title shall not apply to the obtaining or releasing of information by the Internal Revenue Service, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Bureau of the Public Debt, the Bureau of Accounts, and the Division of Foreign Funds Control of the Treasury Department: Provided further, That the provisions of sections 139-139f of this title shall not apply to the obtaining by any Federal bank supervisory agency of reports and information from banks as provided or authorized by law and in the proper performance of such agency's functions in its supervisory capacity. (Dec. 24, 1942, ch. 811, § 3, 56 Stat. 1078.)

#### CHANGE OF NAME

The official title of the Bureau of Internal Revenue was changed to the Internal Revenue Service by Treas. Dept. Order 150-29, eff. July 9, 1953.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

All functions of all officers of the Department of the Treasury, and all functions of all agencies and employees of such Department, were transferred, with certain exceptions, to the Secretary of the Treasury, with power vested in him to authorize their performance or the performance of any of his functions, by any of such officers.

Excerpt from Public Law 784, 81st Congress, 2d session, "Budget and Accounting Procedures Act of 1950," Part I, Section 103.

## GOVERNMENT STATISTICAL ACTIVITIES

The President, through the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, is authorized and directed to develop programs and to issue regulations and orders for the improved gathering, compiling, analyzing, publishing, and disseminating of statistical information for any purpose by the various agencies in the executive branch of the Government. Such regulations and orders shall be adhered to by such agencies.

The report of the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, 81st Congress, 2d session [Senate Report No. 2031], respecting this provision reads as follows:

### Section 104—Government Statistical Activities

This section clarifies the present law in accordance with the recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch with respect to the supervision and coordination of the Government's statistical activities, and is intended to be in addition to, and not in substitution for, the existing authority of the Bureau of the Budget with respect to Government statistical and reporting activities.