## COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY 12233

ATTACHMENT

THE INTERAGENCY MEDICAL AND NONPERISHABLE SUBSISTENCE SUPPLY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Task Order #1

September 9, 1974

SUBJECT: Establishment of a Task Group to Determine Criteria for Defining Categories of Medical Items

Reference: MED/NPS Supply Management Charter Effective June 30, 1974, paragraph 4b(3).

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To establish criteria by which medical items can be categorized in order to make purchasing assignments in a manner that will preclude overlap and duplication.
- 2. Scope. The activity of the task group will be limited to the intent of Recommendation 3a of the Report of the Interagency Committee on an Optimum Procurement and Distribution System for MED/NPS Items.

The task group is to determine criteria for defining categories of medical items for purchasing responsibility purposes. In so doing, the group need not confine its efforts to FSG 65, but should also consider any agreed upon "families" of items in other groups which are considered medical items.