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7. The development of a Federal Supply Catalog which would contain all the items in the "system".

8. An examination of the impact of the implementation of Task Group #1's recommendatinn on Federal establishments. (Words underlined substituted by VA).

Mr. Sorett asked the Committee to review and make comments. The Committee agreed, in part, to the memorandum, but asked that item 1 be deleted. VA's concurrence was received. Other comments are to be submitted.

Mr. James D. Currie, OMB, stated he had no objections to the Task Group's plan but felt it was a departure from the Director's (OMB) letter and recommended that it would be desirable to get OMB's Office of Procurement Policy approval before proceeding since the approach was significantly different. The Committee was assured that this action would not necessitate a change in the charter nor delay their progress, nor the Task Group's work. The consensus of the group is that a communication will be sent to OMB/OFPP at an appropriate time (after the Committee has decided how some of the nitty-gritty things will be resolved).

An area of concern expressed by Mr. Rozycki dealt with the cost involved in running the system to handle the data. Mr. Whitworth suggested that each agency develop its own requirements. There was a lengthy discussion concerning the redirection of the Task Group to amplifying its recommendations