

Headquarters.

12. Is there a continual program review within the agency, other than the annual budgetary review, to determine more effective and efficient ways to achieve these program objectives?

Yes.

13. To your knowledge, does this program duplicate or parallel work being done by any other agency?

No.

14. Is your organizational structure such that the program is being carried out most efficiently and effectively?

Yes.

15. Are there any outstanding GAO reports on this program? If so, what is the status of the GAO recommendations the report contains?

Yes, there is one outstanding GAO report—type of mail pouches used for transporting first-class mail by air. All recommendations have been followed. Sufficient pouches are now on hand and positive instructions have been implemented.

16. What significant problems, if any, are you facing in accomplishing the program objective?

Manpower and inability to negotiate with common carrier truckers, freight forwarders, and airlines.

17. Do you administer any grants, loans, or other disbursed funds related to this program? If so, is the size of your administrative staff commensurate with the magnitude of the outlays?

No.

18. If your appropriations were reduced, how would you absorb the cut—by an overall reduction, or by cutting or curtailing certain activities?

Reduce the level of transportation service being given to the movement of non-local mail.

19. If additional funds were available, what would you do with the new money?

Improve the level of transportation services consistent with departmental policy.

E. Program Category V—Enforcing Postal Laws and Regulations

1. What is the nature of an authority for this program?

This program category entails the activities of the Field Inspection Service and the Division of Internal Audit. The basic functions of postal inspectors include a variety of investigational and inspectional duties involving the total Postal Establishment. These activities are contained in two broad categories of work which are criminal investigations and inspections and examination of postal installations. The internal auditors are charged with the responsibility of certifying to the Postmaster General on the accuracy and propriety of the Department's financial statements and the adequacy of its internal controls. The Internal Audit Division develops and maintains comprehensive audit standards and procedures for use in auditing departmental, regional, and field installations.

Under authority contained in 39 U.S.C. 309, the Postmaster General may delegate to his subordinates such of the functions as are vested in him. The Postmaster General's authority to investigate offenses against postal law is contained in 39 U.S.C. 501 and further emphasized in 28 U.S.C. 535. The basic functions of postal inspectors in a typical field assignment are denoted in 39 U.S.C. 3523. Authority to establish and responsibility to maintain a system of internal auditing are contained in 39 U.S.C. 2208.

2. Who is the person primarily in charge of this program at the operative level?

H. B. Montague, Chief Postal Inspector.

3. How much money and capital equipment is available under this program for fiscal 1968?

\$28,211,000 is available of which \$3,177,000 is in the "Operations" appropriation to cover detailed assistants and investigative aides. Salaries of inspectors in charge, deputies/assistant inspectors in charge, internal audit area managers and their office staffs are included in program VII.

4. Would you describe the output generated by this program?

The output of the Field Inspection Service is considered to be the cases under investigation and the cases completed. The output for the Internal Audit Division is work assignments in progress and work assignments completed. Output for the Inspection Service can also include the number of arrests obtained and the number of complaints resolved.