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Mr. O. A. Neumann
Executive Secretary
Committee on Government Patent Policy
Suite 620, Pennsylvania Building
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Neumann:

The memorandum from the Chairman of the Federal Council for Science and Technology, dated July 12, 1976, to Mr. James Spry, Executive Assistant to the Commissioners and Legislative Liaison Officer for the Civil Service Commission, has been referred to this office for response. The Chairman of the Council requested that agencies submit to you any language changes to the draft National Intellectual Property Policy Act of 1976 which they wish to have considered by the Committee before submission of the bill to the Office of Management and Budget for clearance.

The Civil Service Commission's concern is, of course, with the provisions of the draft bill relating to inventions by Federal employees. You will recall that representatives of the Commission's Offices of the General Counsel and Incentive Systems participated in meetings of the Government Employee-Inventor Subcommittee and helped draft the provisions on employee inventions now contained in Chapter 2 of Title III of the draft bill. After reviewing the advance draft forwarded July 12, we have only one additional suggested change, namely, that in line 5 on page 21, "Federal agency" should be "activity."

Please note that the foregoing represents staff comments and does not reflect the views of the Commissioners who have not, as yet, had an opportunity to study the bill.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edith A. Stringer".

Edith A. Stringer
Acting Director
Office of Incentive Systems