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**DECISION**



*Ed Wirtanen  
Proc II*

**THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20548**

**FILE: B-187606**

**DATE: February 2, 1977**

**MATTER OF: Data Terminal Systems**

**DIGEST:**

Protest filed under procurement conducted on behalf of nonappropriated fund activity is dismissed since GAO lacks settlement authority over such activities.

Data Terminal Systems has protested the award of delivery order No. DAB735-76-E535 by the Procurement Division, Ft. Dix, New Jersey to the National Cash Register Corporation issued against General Services Administration contract No. GS-005-06623.

The delivery order covered twelve electronic cash registers for the Ft. Dix Commissary Store, a nonappropriated fund activity. Our bid protest procedures only provide for our consideration of protests involving agencies of the Federal Government "whose accounts are subject to settlement" by our Office. 4 C.F.R. § 20.1(a) (1976). Since we do not have such settlement authority over nonappropriated fund activities, we must decline to render a decision on this protest.

*Paul G. Dembling*  
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General Counsel