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The Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger The Secretary of Defense

> Attention: Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Subject: Approval of the Design of the Department of the Army Commodity Command Standard System---Wholesale Stock Fund (GAO/AFMD-83-51)

It is my pleasure to approve the design of the Army's Commodity Command Standard System--Wholesale Stock Fund submitted with your letter of January 28, 1983, as being in conformity in all material respects with the approved accounting principles and standards of the Department of the Army.

In evaluating the system design, we looked at the automatic data processing aspects primarily to determine their adequacy as to internal controls, audit trails, data integrity, and consistency with the accounting specifications.

To maintain the approved status of the design, planned changes should be discussed with our representatives and, if deemed significant, submitted formally for approval.

We note that the system has been in operation for some time. We suggest that the Army Audit Agency periodically review the system to assure that it is operating as designed. At some future date we will examine the system, or selected aspects thereof, and advise you as to whether it is functioning effectively and is in accordance with this approval.

Please express our appreciation to the staff at the Army Material Development and Readiness Command for their cooperation and assistance during the evaluation.

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Sincerely yours,

Signed Charles A. Bowsher

Comptroller General of the United States

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