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In regard to your note of March 27, 1973, the arrangement with
| seems quite reasonable to me and probably the most economical
arrangement that could be made for taking care of the fish on a continuous
basis. However, this is primarily a legal, contractual matter. I have
provided copies of the arrangements to our contract staff. My only concern
is that the personnel costs do not exceed that stipulated in the negotiated
contract.

Since I cannot conscientiously testify that attendance at the Data
Analysis and Forecasting course will significantly contribute to the
execution of the contract, I cannot approve expenditure of funds for that
purpose. The information gained must be directly related to our project,
as opposed to the project area mentioned by | or a general
professional capability enhancement. In the latter case,
| should be willing to support your attendance.

I am very happy to learn that the transition phase of the operation
between the two organizations worked out without mishap.

Best personal regards,

SIGNED