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Superintendent United States Air Force Academy Colorado 80840

Dear Sir.

We are pleased to report that our audit of travel, commercial (other than cost-type contract payments) and temporary lodging allowance (TLA) vouchers paid by the accounting and finance officer (AFO) at your installation for the period September 1 through 30, 1972, disclosed no errors.

We also examined the vouchers of military members for accuracy of computation of delay en route chargeable as leave and for timeliness of input of leave information to the members' centralized leave accounts. Of the 162 travel vouchers in our sample, six showed delay en route.

Our examination of these six travel vouchers (which involved 10 periods of leave) showed that all periods of leave were transmitted for posting with the correct number of days and that all were entered on the daily transaction listings on a timely basis after payment was made for the travel.

Our prior letter dated March 9, 1972, covering the audit of travel and commercial vouchers for the period July 1, 1970 through March 31, 1971, reported no errors in the samples examined.

The findings of our current audit indicate that your controls for travel, commercial and TLA voucher payments are satisfactory.

The Air Force Accounting and Finance Center (AFAFC) examines, on a monthly basis, a sample of the travel vouchers paid by the AFO at your installation. For the period April 1 through Setpember 30, 1972, its examination of the 29 travel vouchers which involved delay en route disclosed four periods of leave incorrectly computed and one period of leave that was not posted.

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The results of our audit of leave taken in connection with travel cannot be compared with prior audit results because the present procedures for reporting leave went into effect on October 1, 1971. There is an indication, however, of a current problem in this area because three of the five leave errors disclosed by the AFAFC occured in August and September 1972.

Your comments would be appreciated as to the causes for the leave reporting errors.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Comptroller of the Air Force Commander, AFAFC Auditor General Representative, AFAFC