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August 21, 1973

Commander
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Dear Sir:

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 February 1 through 28, 1973, disclosed one error for \$48.24 in a sample of 167 travel voucher payments, an error rate of 0.6 compared to the Air Force-wide error rate of 1.3. This error was an underpayment on voucher number T-8674 caused by the use of an incorrect distance for travel from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. Mileage was based on 708 miles rather than the correct distance of 1512 miles.

In addition to the audit of travel vouchers for monetary errors, we 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. This is in addition to the Interim Leave System examination, the results of which were reported to you by our letter of July 25, 1973.

Of the 167 travel vouchers in our sample, 11 showed delay en route. We are pleased to report that our examination of these 11 vouchers showed that all periods of leave were transmitted for posting with the correct number of days and that the periods of leave were entered on the Daily Transaction Listings on a timely basis after payment was made for the travel.

Our prior letter dated November 16, 1971, covering the audit of vouchers for the period July 1, 1970 through March 31, 1971, reported one error for travel vouchers (error rate 0.7) and three errors for TLA vouchers (error rate 11.1).

The findings of our current audit indicate that your controls for voucher payments are satisfactory.

[Audit of Accounts at
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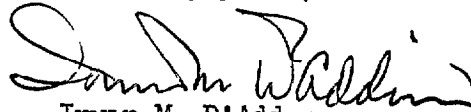
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The results of our audit of leave taken in connection with travel cannot be compared with prior audit results because the present procedures for reporting leave went into effect on October 1, 1971.

We are furnishing the results of our audit as a matter of information for whatever action you consider appropriate.

Sincerely yours,



Irwin M. D'Addario
Regional Manager

cc: Comptroller of the Air Force
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