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Message to Congress - Reorganization Plan No. 2
TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Pursuant to the provisions of the Reorganisation Act of 1939 (Public No. 19, 76th Cong., 1st sess.) approved April 5, 1939, I herewith transmit Reorganisation Plan No. II, which, after investigation, I have prepared in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the Act; and I declare that with respect to each transfer, consolidation, or abolition made in Reorganisation Plan No. II, I have found that such transfer, consolidation, or abolition is necessary to accomplish one or more of the purposes of section 1(a) of the Act.

In my message to the Congress on April 25, 1939, transmitting Reorganisation Plan No. I, I took occasion to say that, it being obviously impracticable to complete the task or reorganisation at one time, I had decided, in view of the declaration of the Congress that it should be accomplished immediately and speedily, to undertake it in several steps.

Plan No. I, had to do with overall management. Plan No. II, transmitted herewith, is designed to improve the work of the Executive Branch for which, although carried on through executive departments and agencies, the responsibility to the people is through the President. It is concerned with the sole purpose of improving the administrative management of the Executive Branch by a more logical grouping of existing units and functions and by a further reduction in the number of independent agencies.

I am transmitting Reorganisation Plan No. II as the result of studies that have been made for me and of my own experience over a period of several years, as the best way in which to re-
group the agencies affected so as to fulfill the purposes of the Act:

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2. To increase efficiency;
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The plan I now transmit I shall describe briefly as follows:

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By this transfer and consolidation, there will be a single Foreign Service in the Department of State, but this does not mean that the interests of the commercial and agricultural communities are to be neglected, for it is a part of the plan that representatives of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Commerce shall be placed on the Board of Foreign Service Personnel and that specific investigations relating to commerce and agriculture shall be initiated directly by the Secretaries of these two departments who will receive directly
the results of investigations in their own fields.

A much greater degree of coordination and effectiveness in our foreign establishments can be achieved under the plan than has ever before been possible. The needs of the different departments and agencies of the Government will be met more efficiently and the responsiveness of the foreign establishments to these needs will be greatly improved.

The plan presupposes that it may be necessary from time to time for various departments and agencies of the Government to send abroad specialists and technicians for relatively temporary duty. While these will not be in the Foreign Service, strictly speaking, they will be given a suitable commission by the Department of State, on a temporary basis, so that they may have the same obligations as other officers of the Foreign Service while on duty abroad.

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The plan specifically leaves undisturbed the relationships of the Department of Commerce and of the Department of Agriculture with the commercial and agricultural communities.
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There is also transferred to the Department of State the Foreign Service Buildings Commission and its functions. This Commission is advisory to the administrative work of the Department of State and should no longer have the status of an independent establishment.

The Bureau of Lighthouses now in the Department of Commerce is transferred to the Treasury Department and consolidated with the Coast Guard in that Department. The advantages of this consolidation are obvious and fall clearly within the provision of the Act requiring me to consolidate agencies according to major purposes. This will save money on equipment and administration and will permit the better use of personnel.

The plan also includes the abolition of the Office of the Director General of Railroads and of the War Finance Corporation and the transfer of their functions to the Secretary of the Treasury to be wound up by him as rapidly as may be. In the case of the War Finance Corporation, it is directed that the final dissolution shall be accomplished not later than December 31, 1939.

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for the Federal penal and correctional institutions is in the Department of Justice and these two independent establishments should be consolidated therein. None of the other Federal penal or correctional institutions has a board of trustees and there is no need of further continuing the Board of the National Training School.

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I find it necessary and desirable in order to accomplish the purposes of the Reorganization Act to abolish the National Bituminous Coal Commission and to transfer its functions to the Secretary of the Interior. Thus the task of conserving the bituminous coal resources of the country may be carried on directly by the head of the department principally responsible for the conservation of fuel and other mineral supplies. The Congress placed this commission in the Department of the Interior but experience has shown that direct administration will be cheaper, better and more effective than through the cumbersome medium of an unnecessary commission.

The transfer to the Department of the Interior of the Bureau of Insular Affairs in the War Department and its consolidation with the Division of Territories and Island Possessions
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The plan provides for the abolition of the National Emergency Council and the transfer to the Executive Office of the President of all its functions with the exception of the film and radio activities which go to the Office of Education. Subject to appropriations by the Congress these activities transferred to the White House would be administered in the manner best designed to give the President the information he requires from all parts of the country.
The National Emergency Council was established by Executive Order in 1933 and is composed of the President, the Vice President, the Members of the Cabinet and the heads of some twenty-three independent establishments. Its usefulness as an actual Council, which met weekly under my chairmanship, was very great in the period of the emergency which then confronted the country, but, as time has gone on, it no longer operates as a Council but does continue to carry on important activities which are indispensable to the President of the United States, as well as to other branches of the Government, and the public. It maintains an information service and a press intelligence service, it publishes the United States Government Manual, and it carries on through State and central staffs an important work of coordinating and reporting.

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The plan also includes certain general provisions in order to accomplish fully the purposes of the Act. In addition to the transfer of bureaus and other units, it is necessary also to transfer certain functions of heads of departments; to transfer records, property and personnel; to transfer funds; and to provide that the power of appointment occasionally, and sometimes apparently quite accidentally, vested in a subordinate official of a department, shall be vested in the head of the department.
It is impossible to exercise the proper direction and supervision over subordinate units unless the definite power of appointment, fixing of compensation, transfer, and promotion or dismissal of personnel is vested in the principal responsible head. In no other way can the purpose of consolidating similar functions under a single head as required by the Act be accomplished in practice.

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In the case of the consolidation of the foreign services, it is estimated that the administration by a single administrative unit in the Department of State will achieve a saving of $80,000 a year and that consolidation of the three field forces will make it possible to drop alien employees and, by a more effective use of personnel, to save an additional $100,000 a year when the readjustments have been made.

The total administrative expense of all of the agencies affected by this plan is about $35,000,000 per annum.
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In view of the fact that it is now May 9th, and that any reorganization plan must lie before the Congress for sixty calendar days, and because the reorganizations of an intradepartmental character require a great deal of research and careful painstaking detailed work, I do not propose to send any further general reorganization plans to the Congress at this session.

However, there are certain transfers, abolitions and consolidations of committees, commissions, and boards which I propose to do by means of executive and military orders under existing law as complementary to Reorganization Plan No. II when it becomes effective.

Then, also, by more administrative procedure, some
small agencies which have been listed in various publications as independent establishments but whose independence has no basis in law or in formal executive or military orders, may be reassigned to an appropriate placement by administrative procedure on the part of their respective heads.

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THE WHITE HOUSE,

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Plan 1. A (a) Sec. Sec. Board to
Welfare Agency under 1 Admin.
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(e) Pub. Health Service 1 Org. End.

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(c) Roads from Office
(d) Parliament Bldg. Branch
(f) U. S. Running

(b) Put Nat. Resources Bil under Pres. to call Nat. Resources Planning Bil.

(c) Tell long in this message. I am naming 1st Sec. bent to coordinate all personnel work.
Plm 3

Interdepartment Rm
Plan 4. Interdependent Plans

(a) Fisheries to Interior
(b) Rice, Survey & Interior
(c) To Commerce
   R. & C. N. C. etc
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being carried on by a particular unit so as the better to serve the basic purpose for which the work was undertaken. Such problems I shall continue to study with the view of sending other reorganization plans involving both interdepartmental and intradepartmental reorganizations to the Congress at its next session.
REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. II

Prepared by the President and transmitted to the Senate and the House of Representatives in Congress assembled, May 7, 1939, pursuant to the provisions of the Reorganization Act of 1939, approved April 3, 1939

PART I.--DEPARTMENTS

Section 1. State Department.—Transfers and consolidations relating to the Department of State are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Foreign Commerce Service and Foreign Agricultural Service.—The Foreign Commerce Service of the United States and its functions in the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce and the Foreign Agricultural Service of the United States and its functions as established by the Act of June 5, 1930 (46 Stat. 497), in the Department of Agriculture are hereby transferred to the Department of State and shall be consolidated with and administered as a part of the Foreign Service of the United States under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of State.

(b) Functions of the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture Transferred to the Secretary of State; Exceptions.—The functions of the Secretary of Commerce with respect to the Foreign Commerce Service and the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to the Foreign Agricultural Service (other than functions with respect to such services pertaining to activities in the United States and to the compilation, publication, and dissemination of information) are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of State, except and provided that under regulations prescribed by the President—
(1) The Secretary of State shall cause to be made such investigations relating to commercial and industrial conditions and activities in foreign countries and such other specific investigations relating to foreign commerce as the Secretary of Commerce shall determine to be in the public interest, and shall report to the Secretary of Commerce the results of, and the information secured through, such investigations. He shall also cause to be made such investigations relating to world competition and demand for agricultural products, to production, marketing, and disposition of such products in foreign countries, and to farm management and other phases of agricultural industry in foreign countries, and shall conduct abroad such activities (including the demonstration of standards for cotton, wheat, and other American agricultural products), as the Secretary of Agriculture shall determine to be in the public interest, and shall report to the Secretary of Agriculture the results of, and the information secured through, such investigations and activities.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce may from time to time when he deems it in the public interest designate any officer in his Department to render temporary service under the provisions of, and subject to the conditions named in, section 5 of the Act of March 3, 1927, (44 Stat. 1396).

(3) The Secretary of Agriculture may from time to time when he deems it in the public interest designate any officer in his Department to render temporary service under the provisions of, and subject to the conditions named in, section 2 of the Act of June 5, 1930, (46 Stat. 498).
(4) The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture may each designate an officer in his Department, acceptable to the Secretary of State, to serve in the Department of State as liaison officer in connection with the administration of the foreign service of the United States.

(5) One officer in the Department of Commerce designated by the Secretary of Commerce and acceptable to the Secretary of State and one officer in the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary of Agriculture and acceptable to the Secretary of State shall be added to the membership of the Board of Foreign Service Personnel for the Foreign Service.

(c) Status of Foreign Service Officers.—Foreign Commerce Service officers and Foreign Agricultural Service officers who by reason of transfer to the Foreign Service of the United States and by appointment according to law acquire status of Foreign Service officers therein shall not be included in the total number of officers in such Service for the purpose of determining the percentage limitation established by section 10 of the Act of February 23, 1931 (46 Stat. 1207), as amended.

(d) China Trade Act Registrar.—Such officer of the Foreign Service as the Secretary of State shall make available for that purpose may be authorized by the Secretary of Commerce to perform the duties of China Trade Act Registrar provided for in the Act of September 19, 1922 (42 Stat. 849), under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce.
(e) **Foreign Service Buildings Commission.**—The Foreign Service Buildings Commission and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of State. The Commission shall exercise advisory functions, but all other functions (including administrative functions) shall be exercised under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of State by such division, bureau, or office in the Department of State as the Secretary shall determine.
Sec. 2. Treasury Department.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of the Treasury are hereby affected as follows:

(a) Bureau of Lighthouses.—The Bureau of Lighthouses in the Department of Commerce and its functions are hereby transferred to and shall be consolidated with and administered as a part of the Coast Guard in the Department of the Treasury.

(b) Director General of Railroads: Office, Abolished and Functions Transferred.—The office of Director General of Railroads is hereby abolished. The functions and duties of the Director General of Railroads are hereby transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury to be exercised and performed by him personally or through such officer or officers of the Department of the Treasury as he may authorize. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby designated as the agent provided for in section 206 of the Transportation Act, 1920 (41 Stat. 461).

(c) War Finance Corporation Abolished.—All of the functions, property, and obligations of the War Finance Corporation not heretofore transferred by statute to the Secretary of the Treasury are hereby transferred to the Department of the Treasury. The War Finance Corporation is hereby abolished and the Secretary of the Treasury shall complete the winding up of its affairs and shall dispose of its assets in accordance with the Act of March 1, 1929 (45 Stat. 1442), not later than December 31, 1939.
Sec. 3. Department of Justice.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of Justice are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Federal Prison Industries, Inc.—The Federal Prison Industries, Inc. (together with its Board of Directors) and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of Justice and shall be administered under the general direction and supervision of the Attorney General.

(b) National Training School for Boys.—The National Training School for Boys and its functions (including the functions of its Board of Trustees) are hereby transferred to the Department of Justice and shall be administered by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, under the direction and supervision of the Attorney General.

(c) Board of Trustees of the National Training School for Boys Abolished.—The Board of Trustees of the National Training School for Boys (including the consulting trustees) is hereby abolished.
Sec. 4. Department of the Interior.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of the Interior are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of the National Bituminous Coal Commission Transferred.—The functions of the National Bituminous Coal Commission (including the functions of the members of the Commission) are hereby transferred to the Secretary of the Interior to be administered under his direction and supervision by such division, bureau, or office in the Department of the Interior as the Secretary shall determine.

(b) National Bituminous Coal Commission Abolished.—The National Bituminous Coal Commission and the offices of the members thereof are hereby abolished and the outstanding affairs of the Commission shall be wound up by the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) Office of Consumers' Counsel Abolished and Functions Transferred.—The office of Consumers' Counsel of the National Bituminous Coal Commission is hereby abolished and its functions are transferred to, and shall be administered in, the Office of the Solicitor of the Department of the Interior under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.

(d) Bureau of Insular Affairs.—The Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be consolidated with the Division of Territories and Island Possessions in the Department of the Interior and administered in such Division under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. The office of the Chief of the Bureau and offices subordinate thereto provided for in section 14 of the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 769), are hereby abolished and all of the functions of such
offices are transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Director of the Division of Territories and Island Possessions.

(e) **Bureau of Fisheries.**—The Bureau of Fisheries in the Department of Commerce and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be administered in that Department under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. The functions of the Secretary of Commerce relating to the protection of fur seals and other fur-bearing animals, to the supervision of the Pribilof Islands and the care of the natives thereof, and to the Whaling Treaty Act, are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of the Interior.

(f) **Bureau of Biological Survey.**—The Bureau of Biological Survey in the Department of Agriculture and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be administered in that Department under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. The functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to the conservation of wild life, game, and migratory birds are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of the Interior. The provisions of the Act of May 18, 1934 (c. 299, 48 Stat. 780), as amended by the Act of February 8, 1936 (c. 40, 49 Stat. 1105), insofar as they relate to officers or employees of the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary of Agriculture to enforce any act of Congress for the protection, preservation or restoration of game and other wild life and animals shall apply to officers and employees of the Department of the Interior designated by the Secretary of the Interior to exercise and discharge such duties.
(g) **Officers of Biological Survey May Administer Oaths.**—The provisions of the Act of January 31, 1925 (c. 124, 43 Stat. 803), shall be applicable to such officers, agents, or employees of the Department of the Interior performing functions of the Bureau of Biological Survey as are designated by the Secretary of the Interior for the purposes named in the Act.

(h) **Migratory Bird Conservation Commission.**—The Secretary of the Interior shall be chairman of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall be a member thereof.

(i) **Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.**—The Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and its functions are hereby transferred to the National Park Service in the Department of the Interior. The functions vested in the Commission by section 3 and 4(a) of the Act of June 15, 1938, (c. 402, 52 Stat. 694) shall continue to be exercised by the Commission. All other functions of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission shall be administered by the National Park Service under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.
Sec. 5. Department of Agriculture: Rural Electrification Administration Transferred.—The Rural Electrification Administration and its functions and activities are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture and shall be administered in that Department by the Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration under the general direction and supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture.
Sec. 6. Department of Commerce: Transfer of Inland Waterways Corporation.—The Inland Waterways Corporation and all of its functions and obligations are hereby transferred to the Department of Commerce and shall be administered in that Department under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Commerce. The capital stock of the Corporation shall continue to be held for the United States by the Secretary of the Treasury, but all other functions, rights, privileges, and powers and all duties and liabilities of the Secretary of War relating to the Inland Waterways Corporation are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised, performed, and discharged by, the Secretary of Commerce. The Secretary of Commerce shall be substituted for the Secretary of War as, and shall be deemed to be, the incorporator of the Inland Waterways Corporation.
Section 201. Federal Security Agency.—Transfers and consolidations relating to the Federal Security Agency are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Radio Service and United States Film Service Transferred.—The functions of the Radio Division and the United States Film Service of the National Emergency Council are hereby transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall be administered in the Office of Education under the direction and supervision of the Federal Security Administrator.

(b) American Printing House for the Blind.—The functions of the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the administration of the appropriations for the American Printing House for the Blind (except the function relating to the perpetual trust fund) are hereby transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the Federal Security Administrator. The annual report and vouchers required to be furnished to the Secretary of the Treasury by the trustees of the American Printing House for the Blind shall be furnished to the Federal Security Administrator.
Sec. 202. National Archives.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the National Archives are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of Codification Board Transferred.—The functions of the Codification Board, established by the Act of June 19, 1937 (50 Stat. 304), are hereby transferred to the National Archives and shall be consolidated in that agency with the functions of the Division of the Federal Register and shall be administered by such Division under the direction and supervision of the Archivist.

(b) Codification Board Abolished.—The Codification Board is hereby abolished and its outstanding affairs shall be wound up by the Archivist through the Division of the Federal Register in the National Archives.
PART 3.—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Section 301. Transfers and abolitions relating to the Executive Office of the President are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of National Emergency Council Transferred.—All functions of the National Emergency Council other than those relating to Radio Service and Film Service (transferred by section 201(a) of this plan to the Federal Security Agency) are hereby transferred to the Executive Office of the President and shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the President.

(b) National Emergency Council Abolished.—The National Emergency Council is hereby abolished and its outstanding affairs shall be wound up under the direction and supervision of the President.
PART 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 401. Transfer of Functions of Heads of Departments.

Except as otherwise provided in this Plan, the functions of the head of any Department relating to the administration of any agency or function transferred from his Department by this Plan, are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the head of the department or agency to which such transferred agency or function is transferred by this Plan.
Sec. 402. Transfer of Records, Property, and Personnel.—

All records and property (including office equipment) of the several agencies, and all records and property used primarily in the administration of any functions, transferred by this Plan and, except as otherwise provided, all the personnel used in the administration of such agencies and functions (including officers whose chief duties relate to such administration) are hereby transferred to the respective departments or agencies concerned, for use in the administration of the agencies and functions transferred by this Plan: Provided, That any personnel transferred to any department or agency by this section found by the head of such department or agency to be in excess of the personnel necessary for the administration of the functions transferred to his department or agency shall be retransferred under existing law to other positions in the Government service, or separated from the service subject to the provisions of section 10(a) of the Reorganization Act of 1939.
Sec. 403. **Transfer of Funds.**—So much of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds available for the use of any agency in the exercise of any function transferred by this Plan, or for the use of the head of any department or agency in the exercise of any function so transferred, as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget with the approval of the President shall determine, shall be transferred to the department or agency concerned for use in connection with the exercise of the function so transferred. In determining the amount to be transferred the Director of the Bureau of the Budget may include an amount to provide for the liquidation of obligations incurred against such appropriations, allocations, or other funds prior to the transfer: Provided, That the use of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds transferred by this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 4(d)(3) and section 9 of the Reorganization Act of 1939.
Sec. 404. Transfer of Functions Relating to Personnel.—Except as prohibited by section 3(b) of the Reorganization Act of 1939, all functions relating to the appointment, fixing of compensation, transfer, promotion, demotion, suspension, or dismissal of persons to or from offices and positions in any department vested by law in any officer of such department other than the head thereof are hereby transferred to the head of such department and shall be administered under his direction and supervision by such division, bureau, office, or persons as he shall determine.
REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. II

Prepared by the President and transmitted to the Senate and the House of Representatives in Congress assembled, May 7, 1939, pursuant to the provisions of the Reorganization Act of 1939, approved April 3, 1939

PART I.—DEPARTMENTS

Section 1. State Department.—Transfers and consolidations relating to the Department of State are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Foreign Commerce Service and Foreign Agricultural Service.—The Foreign Commerce Service of the United States and its functions in the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce and the Foreign Agricultural Service of the United States and its functions as established by the Act of June 5, 1930 (46 Stat. 497), in the Department of Agriculture are hereby transferred to the Department of State and shall be consolidated with and administered as a part of the Foreign Service of the United States under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of State.

(b) Functions of the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture Transferred to the Secretary of State: Exceptions.—The functions of the Secretary of Commerce with respect to the Foreign Commerce Service and the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to the Foreign Agricultural Service (other than functions with respect to such services pertaining to activities in the United States and to the compilation, publication, and dissemination of information) are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of State, except and provided that under regulations prescribed by the President—
(1) The Secretary of State shall cause to be made such investigations relating to commercial and industrial conditions and activities in foreign countries and such other specific investigations relating to foreign commerce as the Secretary of Commerce shall determine to be in the public interest, and shall report to the Secretary of Commerce the results of, and the information secured through, such investigations. He shall also cause to be made such investigations relating to world competition and demand for agricultural products, to production, marketing, and disposition of such products in foreign countries, and to farm management and other phases of agricultural industry in foreign countries, and shall conduct abroad such activities (including the demonstration of standards for cotton, wheat, and other American agricultural products), as the Secretary of Agriculture shall determine to be in the public interest, and shall report to the Secretary of Agriculture the results of, and the information secured through, such investigations and activities.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce may from time to time when he deems it in the public interest designate any officer in his Department to render temporary service under the provisions of, and subject to the conditions named in, section 5 of the Act of March 3, 1927, (44 Stat. 1396).

(3) The Secretary of Agriculture may from time to time when he deems it in the public interest designate any officer in his Department to render temporary service under the provisions of, and subject to the conditions named in, section 2 of the Act of June 5, 1930, (46 Stat. 498).
(4) The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture may each designate an officer in his Department, acceptable to the Secretary of State, to serve in the Department of State as liaison officer in connection with the administration of the foreign service of the United States.

(5) One officer in the Department of Commerce designated by the Secretary of Commerce and acceptable to the Secretary of State and one officer in the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary of Agriculture and acceptable to the Secretary of State shall be added to the membership of the Board of Foreign Service Personnel for the Foreign Service.

(c) Status of Foreign Service Officers.—Foreign Commerce Service officers and Foreign Agricultural Service officers who by reason of transfer to the Foreign Service of the United States and by appointment according to law acquire status of Foreign Service officers therein shall not be included in the total number of officers in such Service for the purpose of determining the percentage limitation established by section 10 of the Act of February 23, 1931 (46 Stat. 1207), as amended.

(d) China Trade Act Registrar.—Such officer of the Foreign Service as the Secretary of State shall make available for that purpose may be authorized by the Secretary of Commerce to perform the duties of China Trade Act Registrar provided for in the Act of September 19, 1922 (42 Stat. 849), under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce.
Sec. 2. Treasury Department.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of the Treasury are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Bureau of Lighthouses.—The Bureau of Lighthouses in the Department of Commerce and its functions are hereby transferred to and shall be consolidated with and administered as a part of the Coast Guard in the Department of the Treasury.

(b) Director General of Railroads; Office Abolished and Functions Transferred.—The office of Director General of Railroads is hereby abolished. The functions and duties of the Director General of Railroads are hereby transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury to be exercised and performed by him personally or through such officer or officers of the Department of the Treasury as he may authorize. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby designated as the agent provided for in section 206 of the Transportation Act, 1920 (41 Stat. 461).

(c) War Finance Corporation Abolished.—All of the functions, property, and obligations of the War Finance Corporation not heretofore transferred by statute to the Secretary of the Treasury are hereby transferred to the Department of the Treasury. The War Finance Corporation is hereby abolished and the Secretary of the Treasury shall complete the winding up of its affairs and shall dispose of its assets in accordance with the Act of March 1, 1929 (45 Stat. 1442), not later than December 31, 1939.
Sec. 3. **Department of Justice.**—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of Justice are hereby effected as follows:

(a) **Federal Prison Industries, Inc.**—The Federal Prison Industries, Inc. (together with its Board of Directors) and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of Justice and shall be administered under the general direction and supervision of the Attorney General.

(b) **National Training School for Boys.**—The National Training School for Boys and its functions (including the functions of its Board of Trustees) are hereby transferred to the Department of Justice and shall be administered by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, under the direction and supervision of the Attorney General.

(c) **Board of Trustees of the National Training School for Boys Abolished.**—The Board of Trustees of the National Training School for Boys (including the consulting trustees) is hereby abolished.
Sec. 4. Department of the Interior.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of the Interior are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of the National Bituminous Coal Commission Transferred.—The functions of the National Bituminous Coal Commission (including the functions of the members of the Commission) are hereby transferred to the Secretary of the Interior to be administered under his direction and supervision by such division, bureau, or office in the Department of the Interior as the Secretary shall determine.

(b) National Bituminous Coal Commission Abolished.—The National Bituminous Coal Commission and the offices of the members thereof are hereby abolished and the outstanding affairs of the Commission shall be wound up by the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) Office of Consumers' Counsel Abolished and Functions Transferred.—The office of Consumers' Counsel of the National Bituminous Coal Commission is hereby abolished and its functions are transferred to, and shall be administered in, the Office of the Solicitor of the Department of the Interior under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.

(d) Bureau of Insular Affairs.—The Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be consolidated with the Division of Territories and Island Possessions in the Department of the Interior and administered in such Division under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. The office of the Chief of the Bureau and offices subordinate thereto provided for in section 14 of the Act of June 4, 1920 (41 Stat. 769), are hereby abolished and all of the functions of such
offices are transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Director of the Division of Territories and Island Possessions.

(e) Bureau of Fisheries.—The Bureau of Fisheries in the Department of Commerce and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be administered in that Department under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. The functions of the Secretary of Commerce relating to the protection of fur seals and other fur-bearing animals, to the supervision of the Pribilof Islands and the care of the natives thereof, and to the Whaling Treaty Act, are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of the Interior.

(f) Bureau of Biological Survey.—The Bureau of Biological Survey in the Department of Agriculture and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be administered in that Department under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. The functions of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to the conservation of wild life, game, and migratory birds are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of the Interior. The provisions of the Act of May 18, 1934 (c. 299, 48 Stat. 780), as amended by the Act of February 8, 1936 (c. 40, 49 Stat. 1105), insofar as they relate to officers or employees of the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary of Agriculture to enforce any act of Congress for the protection, preservation or restoration of game and other wild life and animals shall apply to officers and employees of the Department of the Interior designated by the Secretary of the Interior to exercise and discharge such duties.
(g) Officers of Biological Survey May Administer Oaths.—The provisions of the Act of January 31, 1925 (c. 124, 43 Stat. 803), shall be applicable to such officers, agents, or employees of the Department of the Interior performing functions of the Bureau of Biological Survey as are designated by the Secretary of the Interior for the purposes named in the Act.

(h) Migratory Bird Conservation Commission.—The Secretary of the Interior shall be chairman of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall be a member thereof.

(i) Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.—The Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and its functions are hereby transferred to the National Park Service in the Department of the Interior. The functions vested in the Commission by section 3 and 4(a) of the Act of June 15, 1938, (c. 402, 52 Stat. 694) shall continue to be exercised by the Commission. All other functions of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission shall be administered by the National Park Service under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.
Sec. 5. Department of Agriculture: Rural Electrification Administration Transferred.—The Rural Electrification Administration and its functions and activities are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture and shall be administered in that Department by the Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration under the general direction and supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture.
Sec. 6. Department of Commerce: Transfer of Inland Waterways Corporation.—The Inland Waterways Corporation and all of its functions and obligations are hereby transferred to the Department of Commerce and shall be administered in that Department under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Commerce. The capital stock of the Corporation shall continue to be held for the United States by the Secretary of the Treasury, but all other functions, rights, privileges, and powers and all duties and liabilities of the Secretary of War relating to the Inland Waterways Corporation are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised, performed, and discharged by, the Secretary of Commerce. The Secretary of Commerce shall be substituted for the Secretary of War as, and shall be deemed to be, the incorporator of the Inland Waterways Corporation.
PART 2.—INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Section 201. Federal Security Agency.—Transfers and consolidations relating to the Federal Security Agency are hereby affected as follows:

(a) Radio Service and United States Film Service Transferred.—The functions of the Radio Division and the United States Film Service of the National Emergency Council are hereby transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall be administered in the Office of Education under the direction and supervision of the Federal Security Administrator.

(b) American Printing House for the Blind.—The functions of the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the administration of the appropriations for the American Printing House for the Blind (except the function relating to the perpetual trust fund) are hereby transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the Federal Security Administrator. The annual report and vouchers required to be furnished to the Secretary of the Treasury by the trustees of the American Printing House for the Blind shall be furnished to the Federal Security Administrator.
Sec. 202. National Archives.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the National Archives are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of Codification Board Transferred.—The functions of the Codification Board, established by the Act of June 19, 1937 (50 Stat. 304), are hereby transferred to the National Archives and shall be consolidated in that agency with the functions of the Division of the Federal Register and shall be administered by such Division under the direction and supervision of the Archivist.

(b) Codification Board Abolished.—The Codification Board is hereby abolished and its outstanding affairs shall be wound up by the Archivist through the Division of the Federal Register in the National Archives.
PART 3.—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Section 301. Transfers and abolitions relating to the Executive Office of the President are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of National Emergency Council Transferred.—All functions of the National Emergency Council other than those relating to Radio Service and Film Service (transferred by section 201(a) of this plan to the Federal Security Agency) are hereby transferred to the Executive Office of the President and shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the President.

(b) National Emergency Council Abolished.—The National Emergency Council is hereby abolished and its outstanding affairs shall be wound up under the direction and supervision of the President.
PART 4.—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 401. Transfer of Functions of Heads of Departments.—

Except as otherwise provided in this Plan, the functions of the head of any Department relating to the administration of any agency or function transferred from his Department by this Plan, are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the head of the department or agency to which such transferred agency or function is transferred by this Plan.
Sec. 402. Transfer of Records, Property, and Personnel.

All records and property (including office equipment) of the several agencies, and all records and property used primarily in the administration of any functions, transferred by this Plan and, except as otherwise provided, all the personnel used in the administration of such agencies and functions (including officers whose chief duties relate to such administration) are hereby transferred to the respective departments or agencies concerned, for use in the administration of the agencies and functions transferred by this Plan. Provided, That any personnel transferred to any department or agency by this section found by the head of such department or agency to be in excess of the personnel necessary for the administration of the functions transferred to his department or agency shall be retransferred under existing law to other positions in the Government service, or separated from the service subject to the provisions of section 10(a) of the Reorganization Act of 1939.
Sec. 403. **Transfer of Funds.**—So much of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds available for the use of any agency in the exercise of any function transferred by this Plan, or for the use of the head of any department or agency in the exercise of any function so transferred, as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget with the approval of the President shall determine, shall be transferred to the department or agency concerned for use in connection with the exercise of the function so transferred. In determining the amount to be transferred the Director of the Bureau of the Budget may include an amount to provide for the liquidation of obligations incurred against such appropriations, allocations, or other funds prior to the transfer: **Provided,** That the use of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds transferred by this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 4(d)(3) and section 9 of the Reorganization Act of 1939.
Sec. 404. Transfer of Functions Relating to Personnel.—Except as prohibited by section 3(b) of the Reorganization Act of 1939, all functions relating to the appointment, fixing of compensation, transfer, promotion, demotion, suspension, or dismissal of persons to or from offices and positions in any department vested by law in any officer of such department other than the head thereof are hereby transferred to the head of such department and shall be administered under his direction and supervision by such division, bureau, office, or persons as he shall determine.
Prepared by the President and transmitted to the Senate and the House of Representatives in Congress assembled, May 9, 1939, pursuant to the provisions of the Reorganization Act of 1939, approved April 3, 1939.

PART I.—DEPARTMENTS

Section 1. State Department.—Transfers and consolidations relating to the Department of State are hereby affected as follows:

(a) Foreign Commerce Service and Foreign Agricultural Service.—The Foreign Commerce Service of the United States and its functions in the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce and the Foreign Agricultural Service of the United States and its functions as established by the Act of June 5, 1930 (46 Stat. 497), in the Department of Agriculture are hereby transferred to the Department of State and shall be consolidated with and administered as a part of the Foreign Service of the United States under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of State.

(b) Functions of the Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture Transferred to the Secretary of State: Exceptions.—The functions of the Secretary of Commerce with respect to the Foreign Commerce Service and the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to the Foreign Agricultural Service (other than functions with respect to such services pertaining to activities in the United States and to the compilation, publication, and dissemination of information) are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of State, except and provided that under regulations prescribed by the President—

(1) The Secretary of State shall cause to be made such in-
vestigations relating to commercial and industrial conditions and
activities in foreign countries and such other specific investiga-
tions relating to foreign commerce as the Secretary of Commerce
shall determine to be in the public interest, and shall report to
the Secretary of Commerce the results of, and the information secured
through, such investigations. He shall also cause to be made such in-
vestigations relating to world competition and demand for agricultural
products, to production, marketing, and disposition of such products
in foreign countries, and to farm management and other phases of
agricultural industry in foreign countries, and shall conduct abroad
such activities (including the demonstration of standards for cotton,
wheat, and other American agricultural products), as the Secretary of
Agriculture shall determine to be in the public interest, and shall
report to the Secretary of Agriculture the results of, and the informa-
tion secured through, such investigations and activities.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce may from time to time when he
determines it to be in the public interest designate any officer in his Department
to render temporary service under the provisions of, and subject to the
conditions named in, section 5 of the Act of March 3, 1927, (44 Stat. 1396).

(3) The Secretary of Agriculture may from time to time when he
determines it to be in the public interest designate any officer in his Department
to render temporary service under the provisions of, and subject to the

(4) The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of Agriculture
may each designate an officer in his Department, acceptable to the
Secretary of State, to serve in the Department of State as liaison
officer in connection with the administration of the foreign service
of the United States.

(5) One officer in the Department of Commerce designated by
the Secretary of Commerce and acceptable to the Secretary of State and one officer in the Department of Agriculture designated by the Secretary of Agriculture and acceptable to the Secretary of State shall be added to the membership of the Board of Foreign Service Personnel for the Foreign Service.

(c) **Status of Foreign Service Officers.**—Foreign Commerce Service officers and Foreign Agricultural Service officers who by reason of transfer to the Foreign Service of the United States and by appointment according to law acquire status of Foreign Service officers therein shall not be included in the total number of officers in such Service for the purpose of determining the percentage limitation established by section 10 of the Act of February 23, 1931 (46 Stat. 1207), as amended.

(d) **China Trade Act Registrar.**—Such officer of the Foreign Service as the Secretary of State shall make available for that purpose may be authorized by the Secretary of Commerce to perform the duties of China Trade Act Registrar provided for in the Act of September 19, 1922 (42 Stat. 849), under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce.

(e) **Foreign Service Buildings Commission.**—The Foreign Service Buildings Commission and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of State. The Commission shall exercise advisory functions, but all other functions (including adminis-
tative functions) shall be exercised under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of State by such division, bureau, or office in the Department of State as the Secretary shall determine.

Sec. 2. Treasury Department.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of the Treasury are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Bureau of Lighthouses.—The Bureau of Lighthouses in the Department of Commerce and its functions are hereby transferred to and shall be consolidated with and administered as a part of the Coast Guard in the Department of the Treasury.

(b) Director General of Railroads; Office Abolished and Functions Transferred.—The office of Director General of Railroads is hereby abolished. The functions and duties of the Director General of Railroads are hereby transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury to be exercised and performed by him personally or through such officer or officers of the Department of the Treasury as he may authorize. The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby designated as the agent provided for in section 206 of the Transportation Act, 1920 (41 Stat. 461).

(c) War Finance Corporation Abolished.—All of the functions, property, and obligations of the War Finance Corporation are hereby transferred by statute to the Secretary of the Treasury. The War Finance Corporation is hereby abolished and the Secretary of the Treasury shall complete the winding up of its affairs and shall dispose of its assets in accordance with the Act of March 1, 1929 (45 Stat. 1442), not later than December 31, 1939.
Sec. 3. Department of Justice.—Transfer, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of Justice are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Federal Prison Industries, Inc.—The Federal Prison Industries, Inc. (together with its Board of Directors) and its functions are hereby transferred to the Department of Justice and shall be administered under the general direction and supervision of the Attorney General.

(b) National Training School for Boys.—The National Training School for Boys and its functions (including the functions of its Board of Trustees) are hereby transferred to the Department of Justice and shall be administered by the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, under the direction and supervision of the Attorney General.

(c) Board of Trustees of the National Training School for Boys Abolished.—The Board of Trustees of the National Training School for Boys (including the consulting trustees) is hereby abolished.

Sec. 4. Department of the Interior.—Transfer, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the Department of the Interior are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of the National Bituminous Coal Commission Transferred.—The functions of the National Bituminous Coal Commission (including the functions of the members of the Commission) are hereby transferred to the Secretary of the Interior to be administered under his direction and supervision by such division, bureau, or office in the Department of the Interior as the Secretary shall determine.
(b) **National Bituminous Coal Commission Abolished.**—
The National Bituminous Coal Commission and the offices of the
members thereof are hereby abolished and the outstanding af-
fairs of the Commission shall be wound up by the Secretary of
the Interior.

(c) **Office of Consumers' Council Abolished and Func-
tions Transferred.**—The office of Consumers' Council of the
National Bituminous Coal Commission is hereby abolished and its
functions are transferred to, and shall be administered in, the
Office of the Solicitor of the Department of the Interior under
the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.

(d) **Bureau of Insular Affairs.**—The Bureau of Insular
Affairs of the War Department and its functions are hereby
transferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be con-
solidated with the Division of Territories and Island Possessions
in the Department of the Interior and administered in such
Division under the direction and supervision of the Secretary
of the Interior. The office of the Chief of the Bureau and
offices subordinate thereto provided for in section 14 of the
Act of June 4, 1930 (51 Stat. 709), are hereby abolished and
all of the functions of such offices are transferred to, and
shall be exercised by, the Director of the Division of Territor-
ies and Island Possessions.

(e) **Bureau of Fisheries.**—The Bureau of Fisheries in
the Department of Commerce and its functions are hereby trans-
ferred to the Department of the Interior and shall be adminis-
tered in that Department under the direction and supervision of
the Secretary of the Interior. The functions of the Secretary of Commerce relating to the protection of the oyster and other fish-bearing animals, to the supervision of the Pacific islands and the area of the alaska territories, and to the holding sway act, are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) Secretary of Agriculture, Army, or Interior

The provisions of the act of May 28, 1894 (c. 229, 28 Stat. 705), as amended by the act of January 8, 1896 (c. 40, 29 Stat. 1120), so far as they relate to officers or employees of the Department of Agriculture selected by the Secretary of Agriculture to enforce any act of congress for the protection, preservation, or restoration of game and other wild life and animals shall apply to officers and employees of the Department of the Interior selected by the Secretary of the Interior to enforce and administer such enactments.
employees of the Department of the Interior performing functions of the Bureau of Biological Survey as are designated by the Secretary of the Interior for the purposes named in the Act.

(b) **Migratory Bird Conservation Commission.**—The Secretary of the Interior shall be chairman of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, and the Secretary of Agriculture shall be a member thereof.

(c) **Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.**—The Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and its functions are hereby transferred to the National Park Service in the Department of the Interior. The functions vested in the Commission by sections 3 and 4 (a) of the Act of June 10, 1939, (c. 469, S8 Stat. 564) shall continue to be exercised by the Commission. All other functions of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission shall be administered by the National Park Service under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior.

Sec. 5. **Department of Agriculture: Rural Electrification Administration Transferred.**—The Rural Electrification Administration and its functions and activities are hereby transferred to the Department of Agriculture and shall be administered in that Department by the Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration under the general direction and supervision of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Sec. 6. **Department of Commerce: Transfer of Inland Veterinary Corporation.**—The Inland Veterinary Corporation and
all of its functions and obligations are hereby transferred to the Department of Commerce and shall be administered in that Department under the supervision and direction of the Secretary of Commerce. The capital stock of the Corporation shall continue to be held for the United States by the Secretary of the Treasury, but all other functions, rights, privileges, and powers and all duties and liabilities of the Secretary of War relating to the Inland Waterways Corporation are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised, performed, and discharge by, the Secretary of Commerce. The Secretary of Commerce shall be substituted for the Secretary of War as, and shall be deemed to be, the incorporator of the Inland Waterways Corporation.

PART 2.—INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

Section 201. Federal Security Agency.—Transfers
and consolidations relating to the Federal Security Agency
are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Radio Service and United States Film Service

Transferred.—The functions of the Radio Division and the
United States Film Service of the National Emergency Council
are hereby transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall
be administered in the Office of Education under the direction
and supervision of the Federal Security Administrator.
(b) American Printing House for the Blind.--The functions of the Secretary of the Treasury with respect to the administration of the appropriations for the American Printing House for the Blind (except the function relating to the perpetual trust fund) are hereby transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the Federal Security Administrator. The annual report and vouchers required to be furnished to the Secretary of the Treasury by the trustees of the American Printing House for the Blind shall be furnished to the Federal Security Administrator.

Sec. 303. National Archives.—Transfers, consolidations, and abolitions relating to the National Archives are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of Codification Board Transferred.—The functions of the Codification Board, established by the Act of June 19, 1937 (50 Stat. 304), are hereby transferred to the National Archives and shall be consolidated in that agency with the functions of the Division of the Federal Register and shall be administered by such Division under the direction and supervision of the Archivist.

(b) Codification Board Abolished.—The Codification Board is hereby abolished and its outstanding affairs shall be
wound up by the Archivist through the Division of the Federal Register in the National Archives.

PART 3.—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Section 301. Transfers and abolitions relating to the Executive Office of the President are hereby effected as follows:

(a) Functions of National Emergency Council Transferred.—All functions of the National Emergency Council other than those relating to Radio Service and Film Service (transferred by section 201(a) of this plan to the Federal Security Agency) are hereby transferred to the Executive Office of the President and shall be administered under the direction and supervision of the President.

(b) National Emergency Council Abolished.—The National Emergency Council is hereby abolished and its outstanding affairs shall be wound up under the direction and supervision of the President.
Sec. 401. Transfer of Functions of Heads of Departments.—
Except as otherwise provided in this Plan, the functions of the
head of any Department relating to the administration of any
agency or function transferred from his Department by this Plan,
are hereby transferred to, and shall be exercised by, the head
of the department or agency to which such transferred agency or
function is transferred by this Plan.

Sec. 402. Transfer of Records, Property, and Personnel.—
All records and property (including office equipment) of the
several agencies, and all records and property used primarily
in the administration of any functions transferred by this Plan
and, except as otherwise provided, all the personnel used in the
administration of such agencies and functions (including officers
whose chief duties relate to such administration) are hereby trans-
ferred to the respective departments or agencies concerned, for
use in the administration of the agencies and functions trans-
ferred by this Plan. Provided, That any personnel transferred
to any department or agency by this section found by the head
of such department or agency to be in excess of the personnel
necessary for the administration of the functions transferred to
his department or agency shall be retransferred under existing
law to other positions in the Government service, or separated
from the service subject to the provisions of section 10(a) of
the Reorganization Act of 1939.
Sec. 403. Transfer of Funds.—So much of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds available for the use of any agency in the exercise of any function transferred by this Plan, or for the use of the head of any department or agency in the exercise of any function so transferred, as the Director of the Bureau of the Budget with the approval of the President shall determine, shall be transferred to the department or agency concerned for use in connection with the exercise of the function so transferred. In determining the amount to be transferred the Director of the Bureau of the Budget may include an amount to provide for the liquidation of obligations incurred against such appropriations, allocations, or other funds prior to the transfer: Provided, That the use of the unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, or other funds transferred by this section shall be subject to the provisions of section 4(d)(3) and section 9 of the Reorganization Act of 1939.

Sec. 404. Transfer of Functions Relating to Personnel.—Except as prohibited by section 3(b) of the Reorganization Act of 1939, all functions relating to the appointment, fixing of compensation, transfer, promotion, demotion, suspension, or dismissal of persons to or from offices and positions in any department vested by law in any officer of such department other than the head thereof are hereby transferred to the head of such department and shall be administered under his direction and supervision by such division, bureau, office, or persons as he shall determine.