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To: Clyde Jeffcoat  
From: Paul A. Strassmann  
Subject: Conte's Letter of Jun 3, 1992

Per your request, I offer the following comments:

1. "Ownership" of Technical People

We are drafting general policy guidance on what are the functions of technical personnel that will continue to remain in "information centers" outside of the DISA "utility". The policy will state that a limited number of technical people will remain on the staffs of DISA customers, subject to central professional and career development planning by DISA.

Until the new policy is out - and everyone will have a chance to comment on it - no further discussions will resolve this matter.

2. "One-stop" shopping

DFAS' acceptance of the principle that "...if DITSO is unable to provide the requested services at a lower cost and within requirements..." they are free to seek services elsewhere, is de facto a statement of the right-of-first refusal, subject to acceptable performance.

DFAS disagreement with DITSO acting as an exclusive broker is within the scope of DFAS and requires no further response. We are drafting a DoD policy that will state the operating principles for a DISA information services utility. It will spell out the terms and conditions how any "outsourcing" is done. Everyone will have a chance to comment on the drafts.

I trust that the above is useful, as interim guidance, in response to your inquiry of 6/11.



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