EXECUTIVE ORDER
NUMBER SEVEN

TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

SUBJECT: Implementation of the Governor's Task Force On
Government Reorganization

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 91 of the 125th General Assembly
(hereinafter "the Act"), approved April 25, 1969, created the Governor's
Task Force on Government Reorganization (hereinafter "Task Force"); and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to appoint the members of such Task
Force and prescribe its duties and responsibilities and set guidelines for
its operation in the work of reorganizing the Executive Branch of the
State Government:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RUSSELL W. PETERSON, by virtue of
the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Delaware, do hereby
declare and order as follows:

1. The Task Force shall consist of the following persons:

   E. Norman Veasey, Chairman
   Mrs. Morton H. Golby, Secretary
   Dr. Harold C. Brown
   Honorable William L. Frederick
   Honorable Everette Hale
   Charles K. Keil, Esquire
   Halsey G. Knapp
   Dr. Robert H. Parker
   Ben P. Young

2. The Task Force shall study the appropriate methods for imple-
menting the consolidation of the existing agencies of the executive branch
of the government and the establishment of a cabinet form of government,
in accordance with the public policy stated in the Act.
3. The Task Force shall keep records of its proceedings and make the same available at all times to the Governor and his staff.

4. The Task Force shall make reports and recommendations, including drafts of required legislation on the implementation of the purposes of the Act and this Executive Order at such times and in such form as the Governor may request; provided however, that in any event, the chairman of the Task Force shall submit to the Governor the following progress reports in such form as the chairman shall determine on or before the following dates:

   (a) Preliminary report, no later than July 1, 1969.

   (b) Completed recommendation, including draft enabling legislation for the creation of at least two cabinet departments, no later than October 15, 1969.

   (c) Preliminary plan for total implementation of the purposes of the Act and this Executive Order, no later than December 1, 1969.

5. The Task Force shall work with the appropriate committee of the General Assembly once its recommendations are in final form and approved by the Governor. This shall include especially any committee or joint committee that may be established by the General Assembly to deal with this specific subject.

6. The chairman of the Task Force is hereby authorized to employ such personnel, staff and consultants, upon such terms and conditions, within the appropriations authorized by law, as he shall determine in his discretion.

7. All State agencies, boards, commissions, and departments shall make available to any member of the Task Force or any other person duly authorized by the chairman of the Task Force, all records, books, accounts, documents or any other information thereof, except to the extent that disclosure of any such information shall be otherwise prohibited by law and the personnel of all such agencies, boards, commissions, and departments are directed to cooperate with the members of the Task Force and its authorized personnel in providing the Task Force with the information which it shall require.
8. The existence of the Task Force shall cease on December 31, 1970, unless extended by act of the General Assembly.

APPROVED this 23rd day of June, 1969.

[Signature]
Governor

ATTEST:

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Secretary of State