TO: Heads of All State Departments and Agencies

RE: Expenditure Control for FY 1977

WHEREAS, the Governor's Economic Advisory Council has lowered the Fiscal Year 1977 revenue estimate; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Bill for Fiscal Year 1977 was passed and signed in June, 1976 using the Governor's Economic Advisory Council's revenue estimate at that time; and

WHEREAS, the national economy does not appear to be reacting as previously projected; and

WHEREAS, current financial data indicates additional appropriations; and

WHEREAS, experience dictates that expenditure controls be established to restrict the probable deficit;

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

UNTIL 12:00 P.M., JANUARY 18, 1977, OR UNLESS AMENDED BY SUBSEQUENT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THIS OFFICE:

1. A ban on the hiring of personnel, except those persons directly connected with direct patient care and direct contact in correctional institutions.

2. Each agency shall submit to the Governor by December 15, 1976, a list of authorized, but vacant, general fund positions as of November 30, 1976.

3. The hiring ban will be administered by the State Personnel Director.

4. The above prohibitions and limitations do not apply to the Legislative and Judicial branches of government, to Higher
or Public Education, or to other Constitutionally Elected Officials; however, it would be my hope that these elements of government would recognize their duties and responsibilities for sound financial management to the citizens of this State and voluntarily comply with this Executive Order.

APPROVED this 3rd day of November, 1976

Governor

ATTEST:

Secretary of State