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The President today announced his intention to nominate ten persons to be members of the Board of Directors of the National Center for Productivity and Quality of Working Life for a term coterminous with the term of the President. These are new positions established by Public Law 94-136 of November 28, 1975. They are:

Donald C. Burnham, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Director-Officer, Westinghouse Electric Corporation.

R. Heath Larry, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Vice Chairman of the Board, U.S. Steel Corporation.

Edward E. Carlson, of Chicago, Illinois, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, UAL, Inc.

I.W. Abel, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, President, United Steelworkers of America.

C.L. Dennis, of Des Plaines, Illinois, International President, Brotherhood of Railway, Airline, Steamship Clerks, Freehandlers, Express and Station Employees, Rosemont, Illinois.

Frank E. Fitzsimmons, of Chevy Chase, Maryland, President, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Washington, D.C.

James E. Holshouser, Jr., of Boone, North Carolina, Governor of North Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Daniel J. Evans, of Seattle, Washington, Governor of Washington, Olympia, Washington.

L. William Seidman, of Ada, Michigan, Assistant to the President for Economic Affairs, The White House.

Andrew E. Gibson, of Short Hills, New Jersey, President, Maher Terminals, Jersey City, New Jersey.

The law establishing the National Center for Productivity and Quality of Working Life provides that the Center shall advise the President and the Congress with respect to issues affecting productivity and the quality of working life.

The major objectives of the National Center are:

- Develop a better understanding of the concept of productivity and encourage better techniques for measuring productivity changes.
- Encourage labor-management cooperation to enhance productivity and the quality of working life.
- Document and recommend policies to satisfy the Nation's capital investment needs from a productivity standpoint.

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- Without compromising legislative intent identify and recommend changes in Government regulation which will improve productivity.
- Develop and recommend more effective approaches to improving productivity in the public sector.
- Stimulate and support industry task forces formed to conduct programs for industrywide productivity improvement.
- Provide a forum for improving the review, coordination, and integration of productivity enhancement efforts of other Federal agencies.

In view of these objectives, the reporting requirements under the statute, and the interest of the General Accounting Office particularly in measuring and enhancing public sector productivity, the Comptroller General of the United States, Elmer B. Staats, has been invited to work closely with the Center.

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