LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

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Board of Directors

Revised Communications Policy

[Resolution # 97-006]

- 1. The Board will look to management staff to prepare the Annual Report required by Section 1008(c) of the LSC Act and to file the report with the President and Congress.
- 2. If there is an audit of the Corporation by the GAO, as authorized by Section 1009(b) of the LSC Act, it is the responsibility of the Comptroller General to send a report of such audit to the President and the Congress.
- 3. As the statute requires, all semi-annual reports under Section 5(a) of the Inspector General Act and reports and reports under Section 5(d) of that Act are to be prepared by the Office of Inspector General (OIG), furnished to the Board as required and transmitted to the Congress through the Board.
- 4. Written communications from the President or other representative of management to the Congress should be cleared with the Chair of the Board or his/her designee, with copies furnished to other Board members as circumstances permit.
- 5. Written responses by the Inspector General to requests from a member or staff of a member of Congress made directly to the Inspector General are to be furnished simultaneously to members of the Board.
- 6. An OIG final audit report, which, under regular audit procedures, has been earlier provided to and reviewed by management and the Board in draft, and which includes any response provided by management and the Board to that draft, shall be, if time permits, issued by the OIG first to the Board and will not be further distributed by the OIG for fifteen (15) days (the "embargo period") unless within that time the Chair of the Board informs the Inspector General that the final audit report may be fully distributed. If time does not permit the 15 day delay, the OIG will inform the Chair of the Board of the deadline date for distribution. The final

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report may be appended by the Board to any comments it wishes to send to the Congress within the embargo period. At the end of the 15 days or shortened embargo period which applies, the OIG will fully distribute the final audit report.

- 7. In the case of any other written communication by the Inspector General or other representative of the OIG to a member or staff of a member of Congress, the OIG will, if time permits, furnish the final version to the Board and will not further distribute the same for a period of fifteen (15) days (the "embargo period") unless within that time the Chair of the Board informs the Inspector General that the communication may be transmitted to its recipients. If time does not permit the 15 day delay, the OIG will inform the Chair of the Board of the deadline date for distribution. Any Board response or comment provided to the Inspector General by the Chair of the Board within the 15 days or shortened embargo period will be distributed by the OIG with its communication.
- 8. The President and the Inspector General of the Corporation shall endeavor to keep the Board fully and currently informed through the Chair, or his or her designee, of what are in their respective judgements significant oral communications which concern legislation or which may affect the programs or operations of the Corporation.

Adopted by the Board of Directors

on May 10, 1997

Douglas 8. Eakeley, Chair

Board of Directors

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