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OFFICE OF
THE GOVERNOR

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EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING A MAINE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON STATE COMMUNICATIONS

WHEREAS, an efficient and reliable communications system is vital to the security and welfare of the State of Maine in times of emergency as well as in the conduct of the regular business of the State, and

WHEREAS, substantial economies can be affected by joint use of a consolidated communications system by various agencies of state and local government

NOW THEREFORE, I, KENNETH M. CURTIS, as Governor of the State of Maine hereby establish the Maine Advisory Committee on Public Communications, composed of the Director of the Bureau of Civil Defense, the Executive Director of the Maine Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency and the commissioners of the departments of Public Safety; Transportation; Military Affairs, Civil Defense and Veterans Services; Conservation; Inland Fisheries and Game; Marine Resources; Commerce and Industry; and Finance and Administration, or such personal representatives as they might designate. The Executive Director of the Maine Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency shall serve as chairman.

It is further ordered that the aforesaid Advisory Committee inventory and evaluate existing communications systems in the State, including facilities, equipment, value of parts, and personnel costs allocable to operations and maintenance, and, on the basis thereof,

- (1) Identify those communications functions operated by the State government which might be operated more efficiently as part of a State communications system.
- (2) Explore the interests of local and county governments in participating in such a consolidated communications network and related services.
- (3) Recommend a phased schedule for implementation of consolidation by modification or conversion of existing apparatus, or by acquisition of new equipment to replace obsolete or deteriorated components, or by any other prudent means.
- (4) Review all major equipment purchases now pending or planned by the various state agencies for conformity with any recommended consolidation plan adopted by the Committee.

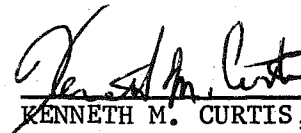
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(5) Recommend administrative policies and procedures for the coordinated management of state communications equipment, including purchase, lease, use and maintenance thereof.

(6) Draft all authorizing legislation necessary to accomplish any of its recommendations for submission to the first special session of the 106th Maine State Legislature.

(7) Prepare a final report embodying all of its recommendations no later than January 1, 1974.

It is further ordered that the Committee, in effectuating this Order, shall enjoy the full cooperation of affected state agencies.



KENNETH M. CURTIS, GOVERNOR