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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE

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Vice Admiral Paul E. Trimble, Assistant Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard and Chairman of the interagency Department of Transportation Task Force, today announced the establishment of an interim information service to handle press queries concerning the new department, and the naming of an interagency working group to develop organization and policy recommendations for the department's public and employee information functions.

Admiral Trimble said that press queries concerning the Department of Transportation should be directed to Thomas F. McGarry, c/o Bureau of Public Roads, 1717 H Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20235 -- telephone 967-4356, area code 202, who will handle the interim information service as well as act as chairman of the information working group. Regular information services concerning each of the units that will comprise the new department will continue to be handled by their existing information staffs. Information on employment in the new department for persons with specialized knowledge and experience in the transportation field will

continue to be handled by the temporary office established in Room 505A of Federal Office Building 10-A, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C. 20553 -- telephone 962-5671.

The members of the interagency information working group, representing the agencies which will have all or part of their functions transferred to the Department of Transportation, are:

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