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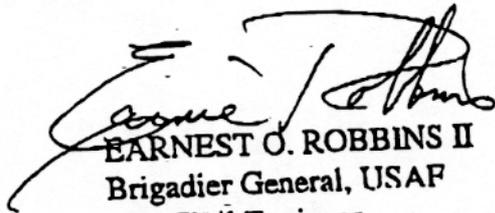
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MEMORANDUM FOR HQ USAF/ILE
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FROM: HQ ACC/CE
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SUBJECT: Whole House Standards and Housing Privatization (Your Memo, 17 Apr 98)

We appreciate the referenced policy letter clarifying some of the issues and constraints involved with housing privatization; however, the paragraph regarding the application of Air Force whole house standards to revitalization raises some concern. To our knowledge, this is the first time whole house standards have been directly linked to privatization. We believe full compliance with these standards for revitalization will be prohibitively expensive and counter to the market fit methodology and community standards benefits sought by privatization. While we agree a long-term privatization deal must start with sound construction, energy efficiency, and quality finishes, the policy as written goes beyond construction to amenities and space standards not necessarily applicable in the private sector. Therefore, we request the revitalization policy be rewritten to specifically emphasize key concerns in construction quality, if necessary, vice full compliance with whole house standards. My point of contact is Colonel Robert L. Peters II at DSN 574-2801.


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