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From: Commandant of the Marine Corps
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Subj: Policy for Funding Subordinate Commands

1. Purpose. To provide funding policy for issuing fund authorization to subordinate commands.

2. Background. In past years, violations of the Administrative Control of Appropriations Regulations were in amounts not material in dollar value but still considered a violation of the antideficiency regulations. Marine Corps policy authorizing the issuance of fund authorizations to field commands and subsequent subauthorizations to subordinate commands has not previously stipulated any definitive guidance. After review of past violations of the antideficiency regulations by field commands, it was determined that a funding policy was required to prevent the continual occurrence of these situations and to maintain responsibility for control of funds at the highest organizational level to permit efficient and effective execution of approved programs.

3. Action

a. Commands in receipt of allotments and operating budgets from Headquarters Marine Corps will refrain from issuing suballotments and suboperating budgets to subordinate commands if the anticipated annual funding requirement of the subordinate command does not exceed a \$.5 million threshold.

b. Unless program execution would be degraded by implementing this funding policy, the use of suballotments and suboperating budgets previously issued to subordinate commands below this established threshold should be replaced by the use of planning estimates. Exception should be reported to this Headquarters (FDA).

c. Funding of commands from this Headquarters will adhere to this policy unless unusual circumstances are involved or if funding is provided by other departments or federal agencies.

d. This policy is applicable to all annual and no-year fund authorizations except as follows:

- (1) Family Housing Management Account, Operation and Maintenance
- (2) Surcharge Collections, Sales of Commissary Stores
- (3) Wildlife Conservation

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