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Alfred N. Popma, M.D.  
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Dear Doctor Popma:

Enclosed are some very brief summaries of requests to be presented to the National Advisory Council on Regional Medical Programs at the February 26-27 meeting.

These requests arise when regions submit non-competing continuation planning applications requesting amounts which markedly exceed the amounts committed for the year. As we explained at the last meeting of Council, it has been Dr. Marston's decision that such requests - particularly in instances in which they represent increases in program base which will likely be permanent should be brought to the attention of Council and subject to their consideration.

We are asking you and two other members to review these summaries for a brief presentation to the meeting. We will have the full application from each of the regions available at the meeting and will try to be able to provide additional information you may feel you need.

We have been looking for a way to handle these requests, some of which we will always have before us without a burdensome addition to the Council agenda. We appreciate your help this time and any suggestions you may have in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

Martha L. Phillips  
Chief, Grants Review Branch  
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Enclosure