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FROM THE ACTING DIRECTOR
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

As part of Census 2000, the Census Bureau is collecting information on the financing of residential properties. The information you provide will be very important in the development of both private and government programs concerned with residential financing.

To collect the information most effectively and with the least inconvenience, we select a small sample of properties to represent all similar properties in the United States. The property shown in Item A on the cover page of the enclosed questionnaire(s) was selected for the survey.

We understand that you hold or service a mortgage or similar debt on this property. If this is the case, we would appreciate your completing the enclosed questionnaire(s). If you are not the holder or servicer of a mortgage or similar debt on this property, please check the applicable box in Question 1 of the questionnaire(s). Return the questionnaire(s) using the enclosed addressed envelope(s) or business reply label(s).

To assist you in identifying a mortgaged property, we have provided the owner's name in Item A and, when known, the mortgage account number in Item B on the cover page of the questionnaire(s).

If you hold or service many mortgages, you may receive more than one questionnaire. We have enclosed all those identified as of this time as being held by you. Due to delays in the identification of holders/servicers, you may receive some additional questionnaires later.

Title 13, United States Code, requires your response to this inquiry. Under this law, your individual report is confidential and only will be used to produce statistical summaries. We cannot publish or otherwise release information identifying any individual property or person to any other government agency (federal, state, or local) or to any private organization.

The Census Bureau has the authority to receive the requested information under the provisions of the Right to Financial Privacy Act (12 U.S.C. 3413(d)) which provides that "Nothing in this chapter shall authorize the withholding of financial records or information required to be reported in accordance with any federal statute."

We estimate that it will take about 15 to 45 minutes to complete a questionnaire depending on the type of loan involved. Comments about this estimate should be directed to the Associate Director for Finance and Administration, Attention: Paperwork Reduction Project 0607-0872, Room 3104, Federal Building 3, Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC 20233.

This survey has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget and has been given approval number 0607-0872, which appears on the questionnaire(s). Without this number, we could not conduct the survey.

If you would like additional information about this survey, please refer to the Residential Finance Survey on the Internet at www.census.gov/hhes/www/rfs.html.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William G. Barron, Jr.

Enclosures