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IN REPLY HEFER TO:

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Dear Ms. Roisman:

This is in response to your letter of February 13, 1935 concerning section 8 payments for general relief recipients in Cincinnati, Ohio. We have reviewed the information you provided and agree that general relief recipients in Ohio should be charged 30% of the general relief grant rather than a higher amount based on an amount allowed in "as paid" States. Ohio is not an "as paid" State.

Accordingly, Headquarters has instructed the Cincinnati field office to rescind its March 7, 1984 occupancy newsletter and instruction which would require section 8 project managers to treat general relief recipients different from any other section 8 recipient in the State of Ohio. We have also advised the field office that, to the extent that any tenants have been overcharged, rent adjustment must be provided.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention. I trust this addresses your concerns, but if you need any further assistance please let me know.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Gelletich

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