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TO MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATES OF THE
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANTS

Gentlemen:

The Selective Service bulletin reprinted below has just been received and is being transmitted immediately to all members and associates of the Institute for their information.

This new bulletin includes "accounting services" in a list of essential activities and "certified public accountants" in a list of essential occupations. It appears to combine provisions of earlier Occupational Bulletins Nos. 10 and 43, and Local Board Release No. 159, which have been described in recent letters from the Institute to its members.

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Secretary

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM
WASHINGTON, D. C.

ACTIVITY AND OCCUPATION BULLETIN No. 35

ISSUED: 3/1/43

SUBJECT: TECHNICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

PART I. POLICIES THAT APPLY TO THIS ACTIVITY

In addition to general policies, the following provisions and procedures apply to this activity:

A. Scientific and Specialized Personnel:

1. Persons qualified.—There are certain persons trained, qualified, or skilled in scientific and specialized fields who, if engaged in the practice of their respective professions, are in a position to perform vital service in activities essential to war production and to the support of the war effort.

2. Consideration of occupational classification.—There are serious shortages of persons trained, qualified, or skilled to engage in the essential occupations listed in *A* of Part III. Accordingly, careful consideration for occupational classification should be given to all persons trained, qualified, or skilled in these critical occupations and engaged in activities necessary to war production or essential to the support of the war effort.

B. National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel:

1. Information submitted by National Roster.—Reference is made to the form letter of this Headquarters concerning persons registered with the National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel, which contains the following paragraph:

The National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel is a governmental agency, and the information which it has given us concerning the above registrant is considered reliable. It is directed that this communication be placed in the cover sheet of the above registrant by his Local Board. This information shall be considered, together with any other evidence at the disposal of the Local Board, as bearing on the registrant's classification under the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940.

2. Purpose of National Roster.—The National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel is under the National Resources Planning Board. It is the purpose of the Roster to assist in the inventory and utilization of certain scientifically and technically qualified personnel.

3. Effect of form letters.—From time to time State Headquarters and local boards may receive from the Director of Selective Service the form letter referred to in paragraph 1 above, bearing upon the scientific and technical qualification of certain registrants. This letter is forwarded for the information of the local boards and shall not be considered as a direction concerning the classification to be given any registrant. Considering this letter together with all other evidence the local board shall determine the classification of each such registrant upon his individual status and in accordance with Selective Service Regulations.

C. National Committees for Critical Scientific Fields:

1. Shortages in certain fields.—In certain scientific and specialized fields there may occur, from time to time, critical shortages of persons who possess or who are in training or preparation to acquire the high degree of training, qualification, or skill necessary to engage in activities essential to war production or essential to the support of the war effort.

2. National Committees may be authorized.—When the War Manpower Commission has determined that there is such a critical shortage in a scientific or specialized field, the Director of Selective Service may authorize the appointment of a National Committee in that field, to assist the Selective Service System by reviewing affidavits for occupational classification.

3. Filing Affidavit — Occupational Classification.—When such a National Committee has been appointed for a scientific or specialized field, the employer or recognized university or college desiring occupational classification for a registrant who possesses the training, qualification, or skill in that field, or is in training or preparation therefor, may prepare Affidavit—Occupational Classification (Form 42 or 42A) in duplicate, file the copy with the local board in the usual manner, and forward the original to the National Committee.

4. Action by the National Committee.—When the National Committee receives a Form 42 or 42A, it will investigate the registrant. If, in its opinion, the registrant possesses the training, qualification, or skill and is a necessary man in an essential activity or a necessary man in training or preparation therefor, the National Committee is authorized to place a stamped endorsement prescribed by the Director of Selective Service on the original Form 42 or 42A and to file the form with the registrant's local board.

5. Consideration by local board.—When the original Form 42 or 42A, stamped by the National Committee, is received by the local board, it shall be considered as showing that the registrant has been investigated, that in the opinion of the National Committee he possesses the training, qualification, or skill required, and that, as the case may be, he is a necessary man in an essential activity or a necessary man in training or preparation in such scientific and specialized field.

6. Classification Advice (Form 59).—When a Form 42 or 42A, stamped by a National Committee, has been received for a registrant and the local board, nevertheless, classifies the registrant as available for military service or for assignment to work of national importance, the local board shall notify the National Committee, as well as the employer or university or college, by mailing to the National Committee and to the employer or university or college Classification Advice (Form 59). In such case the National Committee, as well as the employer or university or college, may appeal to the board of appeal from classification of the registrant.

7. National Committees.—The following National Committees for scientific and specialized fields presently are authorized by the Director of Selective Service:

Physicists

The National Committee on Physicians, National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel, Washington, D. C.

D. Occupational Deferment of Registrants in Labor Relations:

1. Importance of labor relations.—It is considered in the national interest and essential to the war production program that a harmonious relationship be maintained between labor and industry. To accomplish this purpose it is desirable that there continue to be duly authorized and competent representatives of Government, labor, and industry who will, in considering and disposing of questions of mutual interest, expedite the successful prosecution of the war.

2. Deferment of registrants.—Registrants who are key men in the maintenance of such harmonious relations and who are employed for that activity by the Government, by industrial organizations, or by local, national, or international labor organizations may be given serious consideration for deferment.

3. Information for classification.—In cases arising under this bulletin, the local board may require the completion and filing of the Affidavit—Occupational Classification (General) (Form 42) or Affidavit—Occupational Classification (Industrial) (Form 42A), and such other information as the local board considers necessary, and shall proceed to classify the registrant in accordance with the provisions of sections 622.21 to 622.24 of the Selective Service Regulations, Second Edition.

PART II. ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES

Supplying technical, scientific, specialized, management, and labor relations services to the war production program and to activities essential to the support of the war effort, including:

- Accounting services
- Books and journals, publication of scientific, technical, and engineering
- Chemists' services, consulting
- Engineering, scientific, testing, and industrial laboratories
- Engineering, scientific and technical journals and books, publication of
- Engineering services, professional and technical
- Fire- and accident-preventive services
- Industrial engineering
- Journals and books, publication of technical, scientific, and engineering
- Labor relations services
- Laboratories: Chemical, electrical, industrial, testing, etc.
- Management, scientific, and technical services (to war production plants)
- Physicists' services
- Publication of technical, scientific, and engineering journals and books
- Refrigeration engineering service
- Research laboratories: Engineering, scientific, testing, and industrial
- Scientific research agencies
- Scientific, technical, and management services (to war production plants only)
- Scientific, technical, and engineering journals and books, publication of
- Shot-hole drilling service
- Technical, scientific, and management services (to war production plants only)
- Technical, scientific, and engineering journals and books, publication of
- Union-management negotiation services

PART III. ESSENTIAL OCCUPATIONS

A. *Scientific and Specialized Fields:*

Aeronautical Engineers	Mechanical Engineers
Automotive Engineers	Meteorologists
Bacteriologists	Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, including Mineral Technologists
Chemical Engineers	Naval Architects
Chemists	Petroleum Engineers
Civil Engineers	Physicists, including Astronomers
Electrical Engineers	Radio Engineers
Geophysicists	Safety Engineers
Heating, Ventilating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers	Sanitary Engineers
Marine Engineers	Transportation Engineers—Air, Highway, Railroad, Water
Mathematicians	

B. *Technical, Scientific, Management, and Labor Relations Services:*

Boiler Inspector	Labor Relations Representative
Biologist	Machinist
Certified Public Accountant	Manager, Technical and Scientific Publications
Chemist	Metallurgist
Editor, Technical and Scientific Publications	Physicist
Engineering Draftsman, Design	Safety Inspector
Engineer, Professional and Technical	Tool Maker
Instrument Maker	