§ 1218.5 Procedures for approval of plan.

Each Regional Director shall submit the plan for his region to the Deputy Associate Director, VISTA and ACTION Education Programs for approval. Approval by the Deputy Associate Director for VISTA and ACTION Education Programs of the proposed regional plan shall be based upon:

(a) The adequacy of the procedures to provide for systematic and open communication of volunteers’ views regarding terms and conditions of their service; and

(b) The adequacy of the procedures to provide for effective and efficient resolution of volunteers’ problems or concerns regarding terms and conditions of their service.

§ 1218.6 Freedom to present views.

The expression by a volunteer of his views with respect to the terms and conditions of his service shall not be construed as reflecting on a volunteer’s standing, performance or desirability as a volunteer. ACTION intends that its programs be conducted in an atmosphere in which volunteers can speak freely, and frankly discuss problems.

Nor shall a volunteer who represents such views be subjected to restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal because of presentation of his views.

PART 1219—COMPETITIVE SERVICE ELIGIBILITY

Sec. 1219.1 Introduction.
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AUTHORITY: Secs. 415(d) and 420 of Pub. L. 93–113, 87 Stat. 412 and 414.
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§ 1219.1 Introduction.

Section 415(d), Title IV, of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, Pub. L. 93–113, 87 Stat. 412, provides that VISTA Volunteers who have successfully completed their period of service shall be eligible for appointment in the Federal competitive service in the same manner as Peace Corps Volunteers as prescribed in Executive Order No. 11103 (April 10, 1963). This section further provides that the Director of ACTION shall determine who has successfully completed his period of service in accordance with regulations he shall prescribe.

§ 1219.2 Policy.

Certificates of satisfactory service for the purpose of this order shall be issued only to persons who have completed at least one full year of service as a full-time Volunteer under part A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (or title VIII of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2991–2994d), and who have not been terminated for cause.

§ 1219.3 Procedure.

(a) The Deputy Associate Director for VISTA and Anti-Poverty Programs will ensure that each eligible VISTA Volunteer is promptly notified of his eligibility for competitive service, prior to the completion of his service.

(b) The Deputy Associate Director for VISTA and Anti-Poverty Programs (or his designee) shall, upon the request of a duly recognized representative of any