| REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY   |                         | LEAVE BLANK (NARA use only) JOB NUMBER   |
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| (See Instructions on reverse)   |                         | N1-438-00-1  |
| TO NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408  |                         | DATÉ RECEIVED  7.6.2000  |
| FROM (Agency or establishment)     Department of Justice  |                         | NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY   |
| 2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION U.S Parole Commission  |                         | In accordance with the provisions of 44 US.C 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except |
| 3. MINOR SUBDIVISION  |                         | for items that may be marked "disposition<br>not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10                               |
| 4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CO   |                         | DATE ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES  |
| Judy Canter Survey  | 301-492-5974            | 18-27-00 John W. Cal   |
| I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached 1 page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,  XX is not required; is attached or has been requested.  DATE SIGNALURE OF AREACO REPRESENTATIVE TITLE  Bernard W Berglind Records Officer |                         |  |
| 7.  |                         | 9. GRS OR 10. ACTION   |
| NO. 8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AI   | ND PROPOSED DISPOSITION | SUPERSEDED TAKEN (NARA<br>JOB CITATION USE ONLY)   |
| Decision Reporting and Mo (SEE ATTACHED)  | onitoring (DRAM) System |  |
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## Decision Reporting and Monitoring (DRAM) System.

DRAM performs two primary functions: 1) It maintains records of each parole hearing from 1972 to the present; and 2) it monitors the Commission's parole decisions to ensure compliance with pertinent regulations and guidelines. DRAM consists of records on each parole applicant arranged by Bureau of Prisons prisoner registration number and thereunder by date of action. Previously named the Parole Decision History (PDH) System (scheduled under NC1-438-85-2).

## 1. Decision Reporting and Monitoring (DRAM) System.

a. Master File. SAS program. Convertible to ASCII flat file. Created and maintained by the U.S. Parole Commission (USPC). Database consists of records on each prisoner processed by the Commission. Records include information such as Bureau of Prison registration number, offense, sentencing date, sentence length, parole decision parameters (offense severity and salient factor score), and parole hearing results. The database's volume continues to increase as new prisoners are processed or actions are taken regarding current parolees.

Disposition: PERMANENT.

Transfer a copy to NARA every 5 years in accordance with 36 CFR 1228.188.

**b. Input data**. Data input copies of Prisoners' Parole Application, Summary of Prisoner Interview Results, and *Notices of Action* 

<u>Disposition</u>: TEMPORARY. Destroy within 180 days after the information has been entered into the DRAM system and verified for accuracy.

c. Output Data. Reports generated from DRAM data.

Disposition: See schedule for receiving offices.

d. System Documentation. System specifications, file specifications, codebooks, records layouts, and user handbook relating to data. The record layouts and codes must match the copy of data transferred. System documentation includes written statement by the United States Parole Commission providing explanation of processing and editing of DRAM data for use by NARA researchers.

<u>Disposition</u>: PERMANENT. Transfer copy of documentation with first transfer of data to NARA. Thereafter, transfer copy of updates and changes to the documentation with subsequent data transfers.