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Calculation of \$3.9 M est. for annual cost of Federal assistance programs which would be available to Northern Mariana Islands under Commonwealth

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1. Used Guam as basis for what programs likely to be eligible to receive.
2. Used OEO compilation of amounts of Federal outlays by program in Guam in FY 1974 (copy attached).*
3. Deducted amounts for three programs which would not be available in the Northern Marianas as follows:

	<u>FY 1974</u>
a. Total Federal outlays in Guam.....	231,998,000
b. Less	
- Defense outlays.....	-201,500,000
- Selective Service outlays.....	-77,000
- Veterans Administration outlays.....	-939,000
Remainder.....	29,382,000

4. Adjusted for difference in population

Guam = 105,641
N. Marianas = 14,000

5. Therefore, calculation was:

$$\frac{14,000}{105,641} \times 29,382,000 = \$3,907,806$$

6. Therefore, estimate of cost of Federal agency assistance to N. Mariana Islands as a Commonwealth was \$3.9 million.

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Attachment

* Also provided FYI are the FY 1975 amounts for Guam which just became available.

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