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TO: Attached Distribution List
SUBJECT: Plans for the Information Processing Services Center

During the last several months, we have devoted a significant amount of attention to discussing the plans and the equipment alternatives available to the Information Processing Services Center. Two major foci of these discussions have been:

- (1) To what degree should the System/360 installation in the Center be altered so as to provide the campus with a wider range of System/360-based services;
- (2) what course should the Center follow to assure the campus the continued availability of an effective, general-purpose time sharing system.

These are problems of critical importance to the future of many instructional, research, and administrative programs on the campus. The decisions involved are particularly complex as insufficient information is currently available concerning the performance of future systems and as the budgetary picture for Fiscal 1969 and 1970 is unclear.

I would like to invite you to attend a first planning session for the Center in Room 1-214 on Monday, May 20, 1968, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. At this time, I hope we will be able to begin to discuss the approaches we should take to meet our information processing needs. If you are unable to attend the entire meeting, please feel free to attend part. Would you please have your secretary call Miss Robinson on 4104 to indicate whether or not you will be able to attend.

yes

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