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Pursuant to Section 3003(b) of the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995, and continuing on the progress made in the Congressional Reports Elimination Acts of 1980, 1982, and 1986, the President included in the 1997 Budget a list of over 400 unnecessary or wasteful reports (Table 23-1, *Analytical Perspectives*). The Administration is continuing to work with Congress to enact legislation that would eliminate or modify these reports. Such legislation will improve

the efficiency of agency operations and streamline the flow of information from agencies to the Congress.

This initiative carries forward the President's commitment to streamline government and reduce unnecessary and burdensome paperwork. Accordingly, once legislation is signed into law eliminating and modifying the reports listed in the 1997 Budget, the President will identify additional obsolete or wasteful reports that should be eliminated or modified.