

A PROGRAM: Any assignment that can't be completed by one telephone call.

TO EXPEDITE: To confound confusion with commotion.

CHANNELS: The trail left by inter-office memos.

COORDINATOR: The guy who has a desk between two expeditors.

TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM: Hire more people and expand the office.

CONSULTANT (or EXPERT): Any ordinary guy more than 50 miles from home.

TO ACTIVATE: To make carbons and add more names to the memo.

UNDER CONSIDERATION: Never heard of it.

UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION: We're looking in the files for it.

A MEETING: An attempt to learn whether anyone knows anything about it.

A CONFERENCE: A meeting in which conversation is substituted for the dreariness of labor and the loneliness of thought.

TO NEGOTIATE: To seek a meeting of minds without a knocking together of heads.

RE-ORIENTATION: Getting used to working again.

RELIABLE SOURCE: The guy you just met.

INFORMED SOURCE: The guy who told the guy you just met.

UNIMPEACHABLE SOURCE: The guy who started the rumor originally.

A CLARIFICATION: To fill in the background with so many details that the foreground goes underground.

WE ARE MAKING A SURVEY: We need more time to think up an answer.

NOTE AND INITIAL: Let's spread the responsibility for this.

SEE ME, or LET'S DISCUSS: Come down to my office; I'm lonesome.

LET'S GET TOGETHER ON THIS: I'm assuming that you're as confused as I am.

GIVE US THE BENEFIT OF YOUR PRESENT THINKING: We'll listen to what you have to say as long as it doesn't interfere with what we've already decided to do.

WILL ADVISE YOU IN DUE COURSE: If we figure it out, we'll let you know.

TO GIVE SOMEONE THE PICTURE: A long, confused and inaccurate statement to a newcomer.

SPEARHEAD THE ISSUE: You be the goat.

POINT UP THE ISSUE: To expand one page to fifteen pages.

THE ISSUE IS CLOSED: I'm tired of the whole affair.

--24 Nov 75 Chris Keenan  
in DM Integration Seminar  
distributed this, something  
he "came across"