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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 20, 1978

TO: Council Members, AP Members and SSC Members

FROM: Jim H. Branson *JMB*

SUBJECT: Cycle of Management Plan Development

I have redrafted the 'Cycle of Management Plan Development' submitted to the Council as an SSC recommendation at the December meeting. There are no substantive changes in that flow-chart, except for the addition of more details and the approximate time period involved (Column 1).

The estimated time to develop a plan from the point when the Council decides on the need to implementation by the Secretary is estimated at 345 to 360 days. Some of these steps can be shortened, but only at the expense of thoroughness.

The first 30 days could conceivably be consolidated into one meeting if the SSC and Advisory Panel makes recommendations for a planning development team (PDT), the Council approves them and gives the PDT its instructions all at the same meeting.

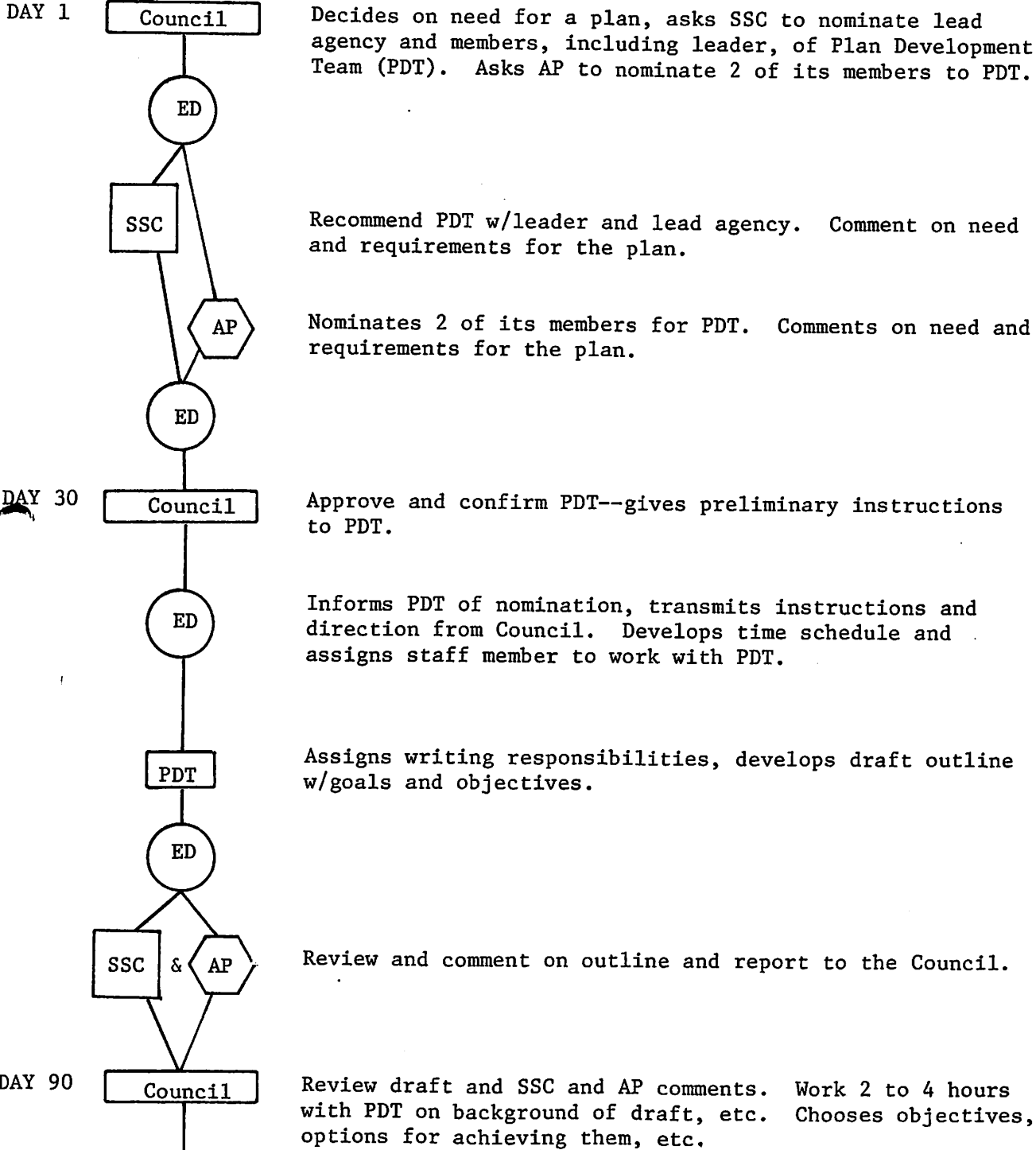
The second time period (day 30 to 90) could conceivably be compressed to 30 days, though experience to date with drafting plans indicates that 60 days is really minimal. The rest of the period until day 210 is minimal as shown, no possibility of cutting the time.

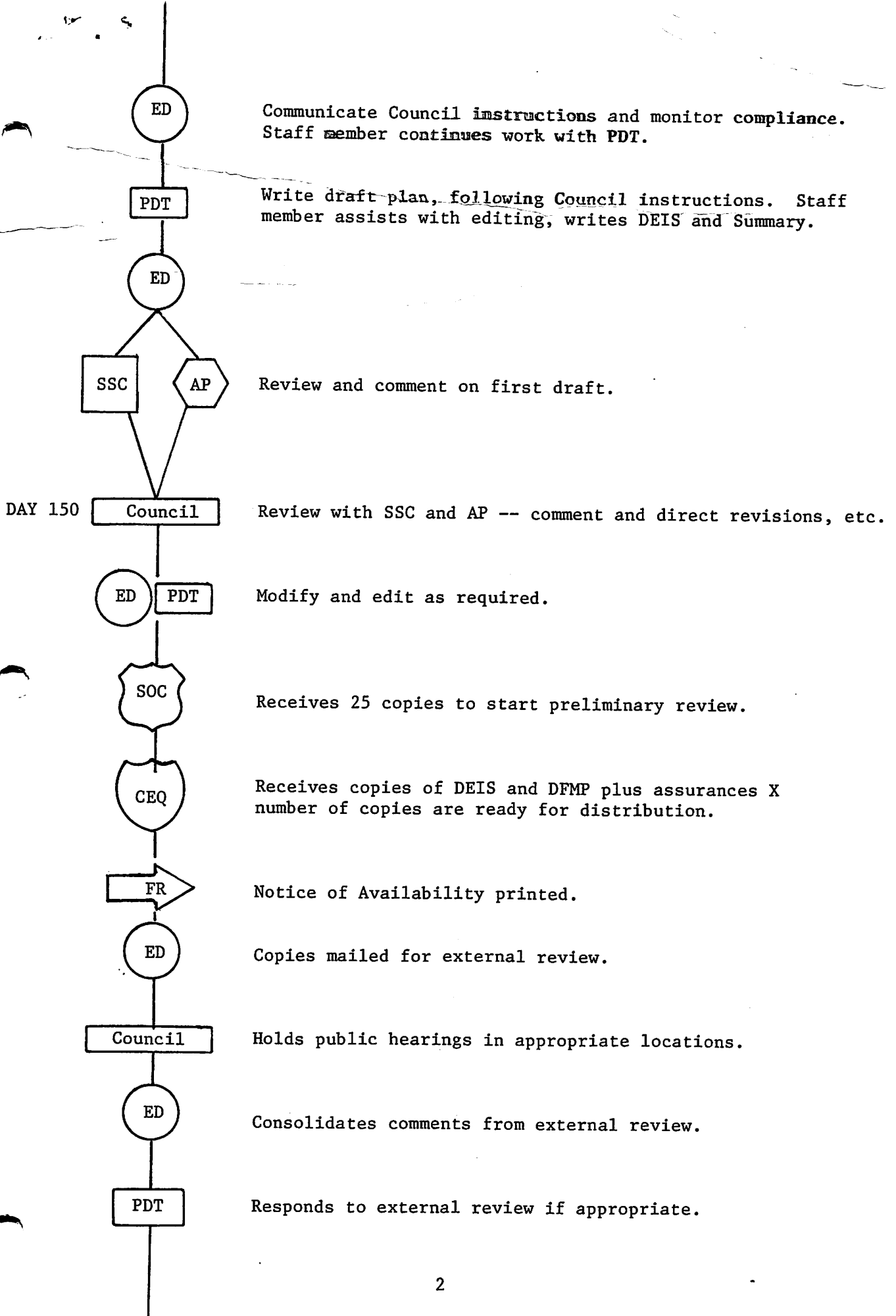
Day 210 to day 240 is a new step. For the previous plans the Council has approved a plan (with revisions considered appropriate based on the public comment period and any other new information available to the Council), the staff and PDT have redrafted, printed and sent the plan forward to the Secretary without another review by the SSC, AP and Council. Under the proposed schedule the Council group would review the plan to be sure it complied with their instructions, after the editorial rewrite and printing, before sending it to the Secretary as their recommendation.

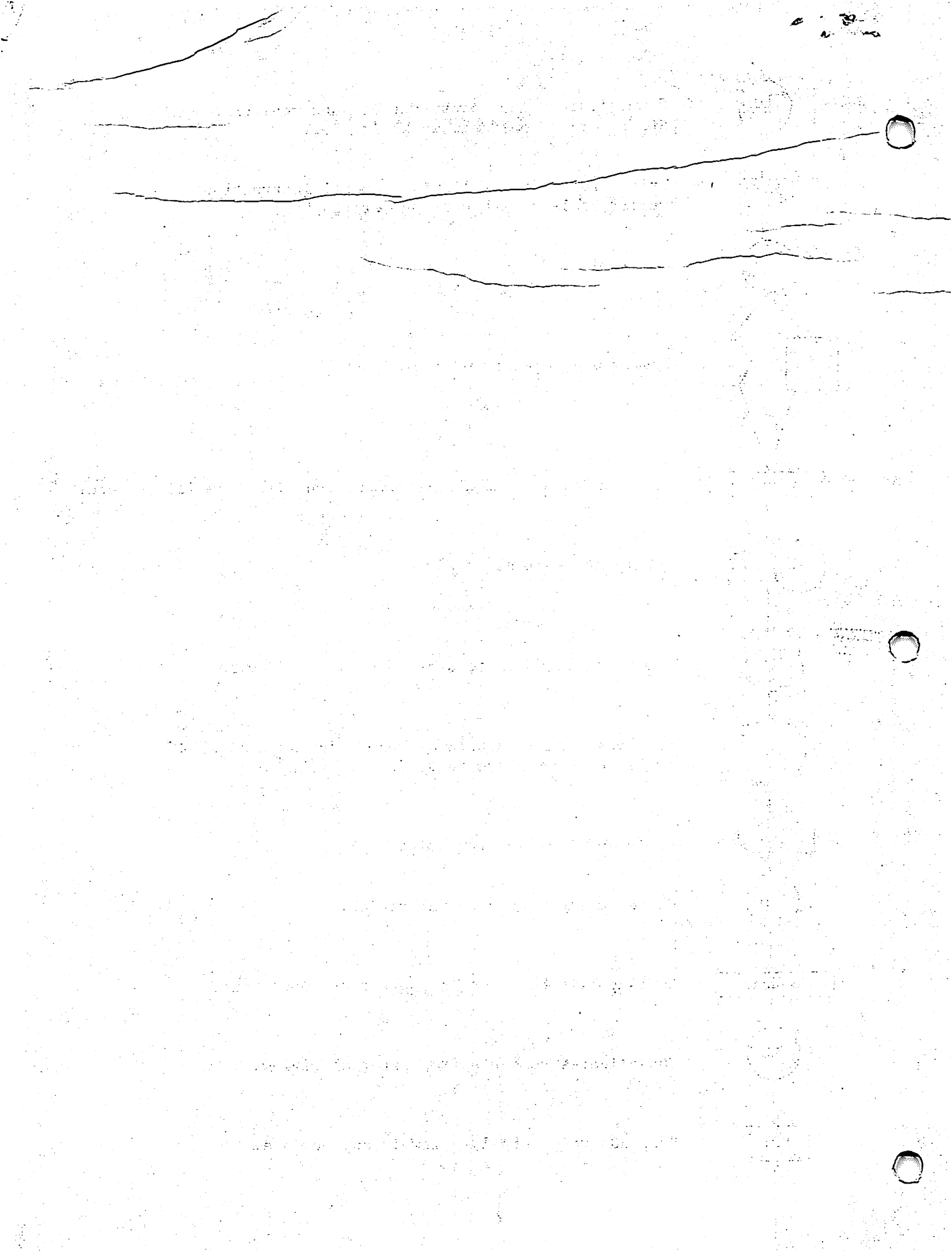
Days after 240 are out of the Council's hands. Its possible for the Secretary to shorten the 60 day review period, but unlikely.

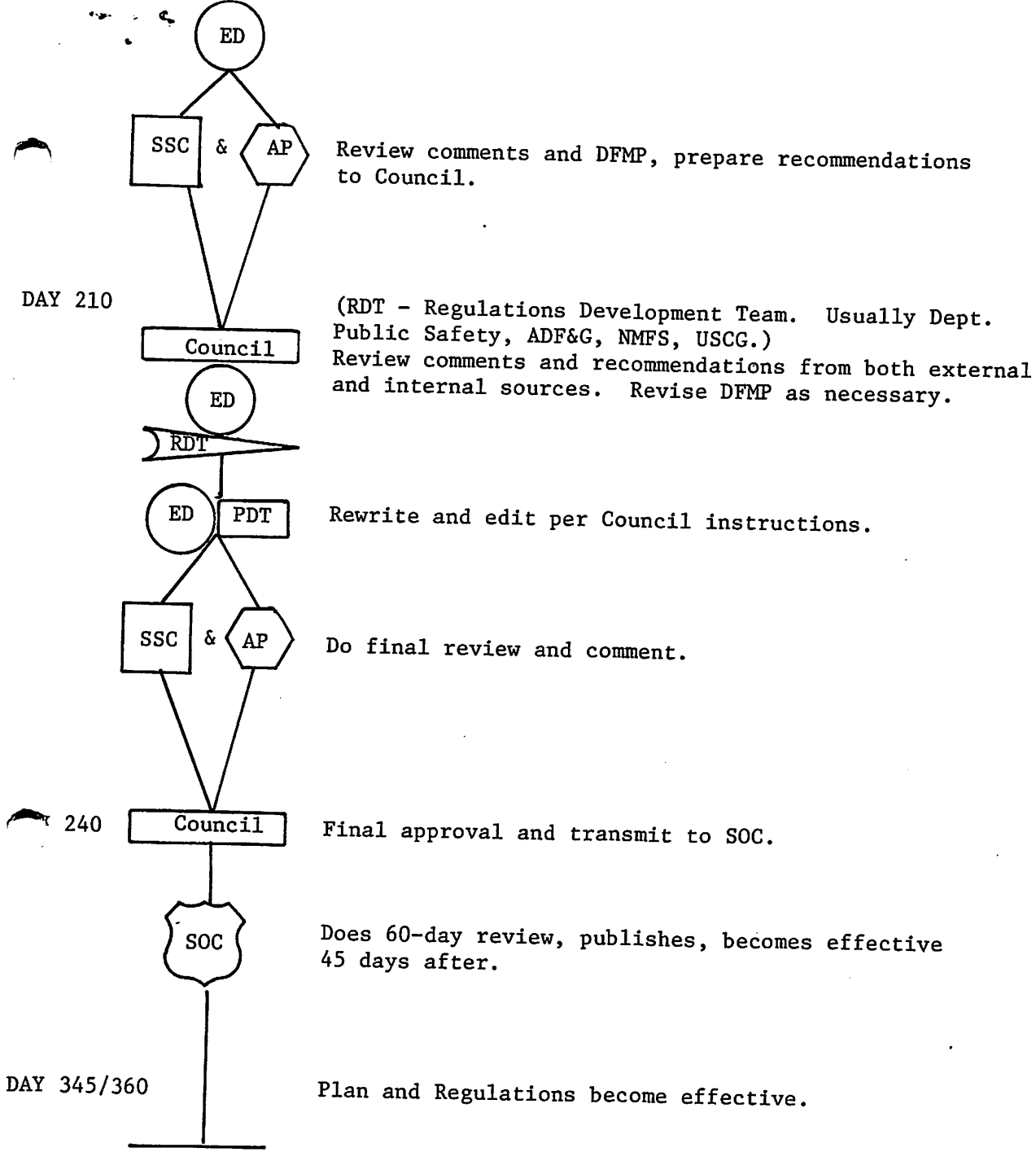
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CYCLE OF MANAGEMENT PLAN DEVELOPMENT









No provision for Economic Impact Statements in this schedule.