Subcommittee On Characterization of Complex Genomes, 
Domestic Policy Council

Questions to be asked and discussed:

1 - What is the mission or responsibility of your Department or Agency to which a project on the characterization of complex genomes relates?

2 - Is your Department or Agency currently involved in, or planning to participate in, the project to characterize the human genome or any other major genome?

   a) If not the human genome, which other genome?

3 - Do your plans involve an active role or one related to being kept fully informed of the activities of other agencies, and of providing advice?

4 - If your role is an active one, does it involve direct laboratory studies or the award of grants or contracts to outside organizations to pursue certain aspects of the characterization of complex genomes?

5 - What level of funding did your agency provide in FY 1986 and FY 1987? What are your projections for FY 1988 and FY 1989?

   a) What level of such funding is for direct laboratory support?

   b) What level is for the award of grants or contracts?

   c) What level of funds of each type (direct laboratory or extramural) is for human genome studies? What is for studies of the genome(s) of other organism(s)? Which organisms? What specific levels?

   d) What specific areas are funded, e.g., sequencing, mapping, other?

6 - Describe your future plans by year over the next four years.

7 - How are decisions made in your Agency regarding such plans? What advisory mechanism do you use? Who are your advisors?

8 - What official within your agency is responsible for a project related to the characterization of complex genomes?

9 - How often do you anticipate the availability of progress reports on this project?