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Summary of Findings	:	
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Repeated from last audit	0	
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SYNOPSIS

• In two instances, out of twenty-five tested, the IMSA Fund did not follow its own procedure which requires that check requests be approved by two IMSA officials.

{Expenditures and Activity Measures are summarized on the reverse page.}

IMSA FUND FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT For the Two Years Ended June 30, 1997

SELECTED FINANCIAL INFORMATION	FY 1997	FY 1996
REVENUES		
Contributions	\$1,002,345	\$576,281
Registration fees	68,107	52,762
Investment income	65,672	61,285
Net gains on investments	950	2,223
Special event revenue	57,780	_,
Less costs of special event direct benefits to donor	(60,615)	_
Other	346	3,602
Total Revenues	<u>\$1,134,585</u>	<u>\$696,153</u>
EXPENSES		
Program service	\$701,459	\$626,445
Fund raising	29,016	72,094
Management and general	<u>58,378</u>	<u>57,092</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$788,853</u>	\$755,631
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER		
EXPENSES	<u>\$345,732</u>	<u>\$(59,478)</u>
BALANCE SHEET		
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,722,544	\$1,245,261
Investments	-	29,385
Accounts Receivable	14,832	10,874
Prepaid expenses	79,366	157,115
Inventory	<u>345</u>	<u>2,358</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,817,357</u>	<u>\$1,444,993</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$51,706	\$30,164
Deferred Revenue	28,900	23,810
Fund Balances	<u>1,736,751</u>	<u>1,391,019</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$1,817,357</u>	<u>\$1,444,993</u>
AGENCY DIRECTOR(S)		
During Audit Period: Ted Parge		
Currently: Ted Parge		

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

PAYMENTS MADE WITHOUT NECESSARY APPROVALS

The Fund did not follow its procedures for processing check requests which resulted in two checks out of 25 we tested being paid without the two necessary approval signatures.

IMSA Fund procedures require a check request be approved by the Director of the IMSA Fund and the Math and Science Academy's Vice President for Strategic Resources. The auditors identified two checks (for \$870 and \$101.64) which were written and paid although the check requests were not approved by both officials. (Finding 1, page 11)

We recommended the Fund ensure compliance with existing controls and obtain proper approval for check requests.

The Fund officials agreed with our recommendation and noted they believed the instances were isolated.

The Fund's response was provided by Mr. Ted Parge, the Director of the IMSA Fund for Advancement of Education, in a letter dated February 16, 1998.

AUDITORS' OPINION

Our auditors stated the June 30, 1997 financial statements of the IMSA Fund are fairly presented.

WILLIAM G. HOLLAND, Auditor General

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT AUDITORS

Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd. were our special assistant auditors for this audit.

Two check requests did not have the required two signatures needed for approval