Task Force Comments: The Task Force suggests prudence in complying with this observation and makes specific proposals in recommendations 17, 18 and 19.

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5.24 The Department should establish and document an appropriate methodology for the verification of Post financial returns, including prompt reporting and follow-up.

Task Force Comments: the Finance Bureau is improving its methodology to the extent possible, but the Task Force members consider that only an enhanced automated financial system can bring about lasting and major improvements. Task Force recommendations 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 19 and 27 refer.