

Now how, after a development has been approved by the Secretary and myself, we will best harness these resources to the furtherance of that development is something which the Director of Defense Research and Engineering will see to being done.

I would like, however, to submit a statement in detail covering the point you have mentioned.

Mr. FULTON. I should say to you you ought to change the name of the Air Force because there is no air in space.

(The statement requested for the record is as follows:)

It is planned that each project or program to be submitted to the Secretary of Defense will be supported by a detailed development plan and supporting fiscal plan. Review of these documents and discussions with the cognizant Service(s) concerned will be the basis of DDR&E actions or recommendations to Secretary of Defense. Effective utilization of the available resources of the DOD will continue to be a major factor in the determinations. All preliminary research for developing new ways of using space technology will be handled in accordance with a DOD Instruction now under preparation.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Miller.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. Secretary, you stressed the fact that pre-existing programs will remain where they are. Now how about future programs? Will sufficient future programs be assigned outside the Air Force to keep intact the competence and know-how of the scientists and dedicated officers in these Services?

Secretary GILPATRIC. Mr. Miller, until we know what future programs are going to be funded for full development, I cannot answer in detail your question. We have reserved to ourselves the right in this directive, the Secretary and myself, to make assignments to other than the Air Force, but the purpose of this directive is to centralize our efforts and not to have the Army and the Navy and other agencies in the Defense Department spreading themselves more broadly than they need to.

The Navy has a very important field of research endeavor: The whole underwater and surface water of the globe. Oceanography.

The Army has many important missions. The amount of effort being spent today, for example, on the Nike-Zeus program. It may take away, distract some of the resources which the Army has for pursuing other types of research.

We think we can bring about a management of this totality of resources which will be to the best interests of the country by certain assignments. However, we will never lose sight of the consideration which you have mentioned, namely that when we do make new assignments, we won't lose the benefit of the personnel and resources we have.

Mr. MILLER. Of course, you just mentioned Nike-Zeus. The Air Force has been opposed to Nike-Zeus. Let's call a spade a spade. Is it going to throttle Nike-Zeus, now, or are we going to allow enough flexibility in this program to do something about Nike-Zeus?

Secretary GILPATRIC. You are asking about a position on which the President, himself, has not yet acted. I can assure you that the Secretary of Defense and myself aren't going to allow any one Service to throttle another Service. That is what we are there to prevent.

Mr. MILLER. Of course, Mr. Secretary, this committee, as I interpret it, its responsibility goes primarily to research and development. We have the peaceful uses, but NASA is interested in research and development. For years Mr. Brooks and I were both members of the Armed Services Committee. We heard about the necessity for scien-