

Mr. RIEHLMAN. This rests with the Secretary of Defense, not the Secretary of the Air Force?

General LEMNITZER. It rests with the Secretary of Defense.

Mr. RIEHLMAN. If there should be any change in the communications program that the Army has at the present time, the Air Force would have no jurisdiction over it; it would be a matter to be decided by the Secretary of Defense?

General LEMNITZER. By the Secretary of Defense, that is right.

Mr. ANFUSO. That is your interpretation, is that correct?

General LEMNITZER. Yes, sir.

Mr. ANFUSO. That the Secretary of Defense would still make the decision and not the Secretary of the Air Force?

General LEMNITZER. Yes.

I never had any other impression, Mr. Anfuso.

Mr. ANFUSO. I was recalling testimony given to us that it was interpreted by this witness, who testified:

Yes, research would be left to the three branches, but when it comes to development and procurement, then the Air Force steps in.

General LEMNITZER. I think we are getting mixed up a bit here between space projects and programs and research and development in general.

The CHAIRMAN. We are going to release the General here.

At 11 o'clock we have another witness.

Mr. Fulton.

Mr. FULTON. To clear up the record, I don't believe we should limit the Army just to the battle field and communications. I am sure you do not intend for the Army to give up the Advent program, the satellite program, 22,300 miles out. That is hardly a battle field.

General LEMNITZER. Advent was one program in which I had particular interest in.

Secretary Gilpatric has testified before this committee that there is no intention of taking the Advent program away from the Army.

Mr. FULTON. We are not going to make the rule of limiting the Army solely to weapons usable immediately on a battle field?

General LEMNITZER. I was directing that answer to the general area of research and development, and not specifically to space systems.

Mr. FULTON. Another point that I think we should make clear is that you have opposed unauthorized leaks, but there are no authorized leaks, are there?

General LEMNITZER. I think they are contradictory terms.

The CHAIRMAN. General, we want to thank you very much for coming here. I am sure I speak for everybody on the committee. We have confidence in you and the great job you are doing for the United States and for our military establishment.

We appreciate your courtesy in coming here. I am sure you are busy.

At this time we are going to release you from the committee.

Thank you.

General LEMNITZER. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.