

Mr. FOSTER. We have a very excellent tabulating system for the things that are in the air.

Mrs. BOLTON. I would hope so.

Mr. FOSTER. This is one of the things—this is one of the reasons we are able to recommend and get approved a stated intent underwritten by a United Nations resolution not to place in orbit around the planet weapons of mass destruction because we can count and see.

Mrs. BOLTON. Do you have anything to do with the consideration of what the closing of all these bases and so forth and so on does to the communities? And if so, what measures are being taken to help the unemployment so created in the dead of winter?

Mr. FOSTER. As I stated yesterday, we have an interest primarily because this creates an example of what happens and, therefore, in discharging our responsibility, which is to plan for the effects of arms control and reduction agreements on production and employment. We can use these, in effect, as field tests from which we would draw conclusions as to our own recommendations.

Therefore our interest is in analyzing what happens in these situations.

Mrs. BOLTON. That means a lot of paperwork.

Mr. FOSTER. More than paperwork.

Mrs. BOLTON. What do you do when there are human beings involved?

Mr. FOSTER. We do not have the responsibility in that sense. There are other agencies who do.

Mrs. BOLTON. Who does?

Mr. FOSTER. The Area Redevelopment, the Department of Labor. That is first in the Department of Commerce. The Defense Department, which activates the closings.

Mrs. BOLTON. All the publicity that I have been able to read in this matter impresses me with such a coldness and not caring that I feel as an American I resent it, because America cares about her people. The Defense Department doesn't seem to.

Chairman MORGAN. Mrs. Bolton, will you yield to me?

Mrs. BOLTON. Of course.

Chairman MORGAN. One of the great airbases of the country was closed in Pennsylvania. As the dean of the Pennsylvania delegation I am vitally interested, and all 27 of us, both Republicans and Democrats, are working as best we can. We realize, of course, that the Secretary of Defense has us over a barrel. But I consider that we got cooperation in obtaining information and sitting down with the Defense Department people.

There wasn't any coldness toward us. They sent the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense, Stephen Shulman, up here, who is responsible for the rehabilitation part of the program, and we received assurance that most of these employees, if they want to move to other installations, are going to be taken care of.

I don't think there will be coldness in shoving these people out. I realize there is great hardship when people own their own homes around the bases. I think there is cooperation from the Department of Defense, as Mr. Foster said—

Mrs. BOLTON. But they don't get it across. Certainly the country doesn't feel that.