

SPECIAL INQUIRY ON INVASION OF PRIVACY

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1965

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
SPECIAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVASION OF PRIVACY
OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 2:40 p.m. in room 2203 Rayburn Office Building, Hon. Cornelius E. Gallagher (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Representatives Cornelius E. Gallagher, Benjamin S. Rosenthal, and Henry S. Reuss.

Also present: Norman G. Cornish, chief of special inquiry; Miles Q. Romney, associate general counsel, Government Operations Committee, and Raymond T. Collins, professional staff member.

Mr. GALLAGHER. The subcommittee will come to order.

The Chair will ask Mr. Berlew, Dr. Carp, and Mr. Josephson to resume their seats at the witness table. You gentlemen will consider yourselves sworn as you were at the completion of the testimony Friday.

We will renew at this point.

It is the understanding of the Chair that you, Mr. Berlew, would like to make some additional remarks concerning the protocols on the psychological testing and insert in the record your new policy pertaining to the use of the tests.

FURTHER TESTIMONY OF F. KINGSTON BERLEW, ACTING ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS, ACCOMPANIED BY DR. ABRAHAM CARP, DIRECTOR OF SELECTION, AND WILLIAM JOSEPHSON, GENERAL COUNSEL

Mr. BERLEW. Yes, Mr. Chairman. Members of the committee, the Peace Corps has always prided itself on having a great concern for the interest of the individual. I have never myself been associated with an organization which has spent as much time at high levels as well as low levels on the individual problems of the Peace Corps volunteers, for example.

There is a division, called the Division of Volunteer Support, in the Peace Corps, which would not exist bureaucratically if it were not for a particular concern for the interests of individuals.

Therefore, when this committee first initiated its inquiries into the use of the personality inventory tests, our initial reaction frankly was to believe that we had already used all of these precautions which could reasonably be used to protect any—against any unnecessary invasion of privacy. Nevertheless, because of your concern and because of your diligence in pursuing that concern, we have carefully