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4. Level of operations. (See table 1.)

Program: Armed Forces information and education.

Department or agency, and office or bureau: Department of Defense; Office of Training and Education.

TABLE 1.—Level of operations or performance, fiscal years 1964-67

[Dollars in millions]

Measure	Unit	Fiscal year 1964	Fiscal year 1965	Fiscal year 1966 estimate	Fiscal year 1967 estimate
(a) Magnitude of the program:					
(1) AFIE ¹	Cost of I. & E. Media.	\$4.8	\$4.8	\$4.9	\$5.0
(2) DOD-military department.....	do.	\$4.5	\$4.9	\$4.7	\$4.1
(b) Applicants or participants: Other.....	Million persons.....	2,685,000	2,687,000	2,836,000	2,850,000
(c) Federal finances:					
Unobligated appropriation available.....		None	None	None	-----
Obligations incurred ¹		\$4.8	\$4.8	\$4.9	\$5.0
Allotments or commitments made.....		None	None	None	-----
(d) Matching or additional expenditures for the program.....		None	None	None	-----
(e) Number of Federal Government employees administering, operating, or supervising the activity: ²					
(1) AFIE ³	Number of persons.....	251	256	257	257
(2) Military departments.....	do.	1,709	1,740	1,740	1,740
(f) Non-Federal personnel employed in the program.....	None.....				
(g) Other measures of levels or magnitude of performance and specify nature of entries.....	do.....				

¹ Includes cost of military personnel assigned.

² Includes preparation of I. & E. materials, administration, and operation of Armed Forces radio and TV stations.

³ Includes average number of military personnel assigned.

5. Estimated magnitude of program in 1970

The state of the art of communications industry is advancing very rapidly which could require a sizable one-time conversion cost in order to provide better radio service (via satellite, etc.) at an equal or reduced recurring cost.