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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND ASTRONAUTICS,  
SUBCOMMITTEE ON MANNED SPACE FLIGHT,  
*Washington, D.C.*

The subcommittee met, pursuant to adjournment, in room 2318, Rayburn House Office Building, at 10 a.m., the Honorable Olin E. Teague (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Mr. TEAGUE. The committee will come to order.

We will begin this morning on the construction of facilities and administrative operations.

Mr. Gurney, do you have any questions on what we covered yesterday?

Mr. GURNEY. No.

Mr. TEAGUE. Proceed, Dr. Mueller.

### STATEMENT OF DR. GEORGE E. MUELLER, ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR FOR MANNED SPACE FLIGHT, NASA; ACCOMPANIED BY WILLIAM E. LILLY, DIRECTOR, MANNED SPACE FLIGHT PROGRAM CONTROL, NASA

Dr. MUELLER. Turning to facilities, at this time, Mr. Chairman, I would like to cover the status of our facilities, reviewing progress of the past year and our plans for the future.

Over the last 6 years an orderly buildup of these facilities has resulted in an investment totaling approximately \$2.5 billion. The basic plant is now available to support a manned lunar landing, with sufficient built-in capability to accommodate follow-on programs at minimal cost. Most test and launch facilities, particularly those located at the Kennedy Space Center, Mississippi Test Facility and Manned Spacecraft Center are now operational.

This year the total request for facilities in support of manned space flight activities consists of nine projects totaling \$27.9 million. During my discussion, I will review this year's request for each MSF Center and location, beginning with Kennedy Space Center.

The Kennedy Space Center is the site of major launch facilities for both manned and unmanned space flight. As of June 30, 1966, the investment at this location aggregated \$808,549,000. By far the largest item is launch complex 39 (fig. 1, MC67-5745), where all three stages of the Saturn V launch vehicle will be assembled and mated with the Apollo spacecraft, undergo both individual and integrated checkout,