

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY 12271

central stocking would be referred to one agency for management; and those items to be decentralized referred to the other agency";

-- What is recommendation relative to family grouping of items; and

-- Some explanation of overseas support should receive special consideration.

Following a lengthy discussion of these areas, the Committee agreed that the task group should develop a concept of devising the system on the basis of stocked or non-stocked items in response to the concerns indicated.

A. Mr. Sorett's draft memorandum regarding the Task Group's letter . Mr. Sorett read and distributed to the Committee a draft memorandum outlining the areas in the Task Group's letter which he felt should be identified and developed procedurally. The elements outlined were:

1. A definition of the "system" to include criteria for entering and retaining an item in the "system".
2. A method of collecting data on non-cataloged locally purchased items which would be candidates for item entry.
3. An item entry and review procedure.
4. A procedure to determine the best method of supply.
5. A procedure to determine the best method of procurement.
6. A method of collecting and maintaining continuously usage data on items in the system that are designated non-stock.