

Mr. WOLL. We might take a few jeeps, cats, road graders, and trucks.

Mr. ROMNEY. My thought was to take a couple of work orders and at random see if they are here.

Mr. SCORDAS. The work orders will be with the items in the shops. (Examples of work orders and related documents are found in app. 4, infra.)

Mr. ROMNEY. Mr. Woll, when an item of equipment is accepted by AID at a depot, your representative makes a preliminary inspection of the property, does he not?

Mr. WOLL. Yes, sir.

Mr. ROMNEY. And when the item is sent to the rehabilitation center, what inspection is made at that point of the equipment?

Mr. WOLL. A receiving inspection is made when property first arrives at the marshaling site to ascertain if the property has been damaged since the first inspection at the holding activity when we issued a request for it. Subsequent to that another inspection is made to determine the actual amount of repair that is required to put this item in a serviceable condition. This will list hours, it will list repair parts that are required, and it will list the specific work that is to be performed.

Mr. ROMNEY. If it appears that the work to be performed on this vehicle would exceed the norm, what decisions are made in such circumstances?

Mr. WOLL. It just depends, Mr. Romney. If this item has been committed for a high-priority AID project such as Saigon, we will go ahead and repair the item regardless of cost, whether it exceeds the 15 percent or goes up to 40 percent. If this item has been committed for a high-priority program, whatever amount is necessary we spend. If we are just building up a stock in hopes of a future order and we find our original offer is low and that it will take considerably more money, we probably cannibalize the item and use the parts to repair other items of equipment.

Mr. ROMNEY. Will you explain how the commitment with regard to Vietnam works? Is it not true that a mission project officer or a country representative might come to this base to see what they wish to acquire? In the case of Vietnam does a commitment occur with respect to a piece of property before the property arrives here?

Mr. WOLL. In some instances, yes. I will explain this. We have given Vietnam the top priority of all other AID projects and programs worldwide. Normally we will only commit a piece of property if it has been received at the marshaling site. This is due to the fact that in the past when we have requested property from the military and other U.S. Government agencies we have made commitments and then we have found the military and other Government agencies refused to give up the property. When I say "refuse," they have other need for it and they keep it rather than turn it over to us. So several years ago we made a decision we will only accept a firm order on property we actually have in our possession.

With Vietnam we have given them first priority on everything. When we issue a transfer document to the military or other Government agency, we anticipate we will get the property after a period of time. As I mentioned, sometimes we don't. But we take a copy of each of these transfer items and twice a month we bundle them up and send