

Care and preservation only of any remaining U.S. assets (e.g., command operating stocks) which are to be removed from France by the component commander.

In the case of the Air Force, all property has been removed from France for which there was a requirement elsewhere with the exception of Evreux. Colonel Tarver has some items for operations—GCA, ground control approach, and Tacan facilities. He will remove all of those by the 1st of July. The whole objective was, if there was a requirement for any items, they were removed prior to our taking them over.

Mr. ROMNEY. You are speaking about a requirement within the Military Establishment and not a requirement for AID, for example?

Colonel REGAN. That is true. But all the assets in France of both the Army and the Air Force have been screened thoroughly by Government agencies. For example, some trailers from this base went to AID.

Mrs. HECKLER. Were the requirements communicated through NACP?

Colonel REGAN. Yes, all the way through, Air Force and Army.

Mr. ROMNEY. When you talk about property you are not talking about related personal property?

Colonel REGAN. I am not talking about radiators, lighting, and so forth, unless there was a requirement for a generator or transformer. When we had a requirement for those we moved them.

Mr. ROMNEY. But a listing of generators, radiators, and so forth, was not circulated to all Government agencies so they knew what was available here in France?

Colonel REGAN. I am not familiar with that. I was not in headquarters and did not get in this business until March.

Colonel TARVER. I believe it was circularized. In closing the bases all the commands were invited to come and look at the bases themselves and they had a list of the items available and if they had a requirement they could tell our headquarters, "You have this at Evreux; we have a requirement for it and we want it."

To give you an example, we have pulled generators off this base but have kept some behind because as long as the airfield is operational I have to have backup power in case the power at Evreux goes off. This has happened in the last 3 weeks. When we close the operation down on the 12th of June, actually, we will remove the high value items and ship them to Germany.

Colonel REGAN. Another of our functions is as follows:

Responsibility, with USAFE and USAREUR support, for the negotiation of "Operational Base" sales.

An "operational base" is defined as follows:

A U.S. Military Base facility in France which the GOF has requested be turned over to French authorities in operating condition, requiring therefore that certain facilities and related personal property be left in place, pending negotiations.

There were only two operational bases left in France which the French desired to buy in operating condition. One was Toul-Rosieres and the other was Chateauroux. On Toul-Rosieres, USAFE left \$225,000 worth of items for which they had a requirement or could use but it was not a critical requirement. We negotiated a sale with the Gov-