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6. Functions. MLS functions and responsibilities are limited to those which are directly related to the liquidation of U.S. military interests as result of the military withdrawal from France. Liquidation Section functions include the following:

a. Acceptance of custodial responsibility, including control, ownership, security, protection and accountability for U.S. installations and facilities, including all real, personal and related personal property contained therein, on "A" date (3 b). MLS will, at the time of acceptance of custody of component commanders' bases/facilities, assume responsibility for U.S. unilaterally funded facilities, NATO and conjunctively funded facilities under U.S. military control.

b. 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.

c. Responsibility, with USAFE and USAREUR support, for the negotiation of "Operational Base" (3 a) sales. (Negotiations for "Operational Base" sales must be terminated within a limited time period such that, in the event sale agreement is not reached, component commanders will be able to remove needed personal and related personal property and/or transfer the base to the MLS prior to 31 March 1967).

(1) MLS is not responsible for the disposition (by sale or otherwise) of NATO property, except as directed by component authority in the action of final transfer to GOF of the base/facility involved.

d. Termination of USNAVEUR liquidation actions in Villefranche.

e. Disposal of remaining personal and related personal property, according to economic determination, i.e., disposal by procedures most economically advantageous to the U.S. Related personal property not otherwise disposed of will be placed on real property records. This property thus becomes a part of the facility turned over to GOF, and will be the subject of Embassy residual value negotiations.

f. Support and assistance to the U.S. Embassy, Paris, in residual value negotiations.

g. Transfer of facilities and installations, held in custody, to appropriate authorities of the Government of France.

h. Acceptance of surplus commodity housing records and custody, concurrently with the transfer of the parent base. Surplus commodity housing real estate records and responsibility for custody of physical assets will remain with the accountable officer until transfer to MLS.