

The DDC mission includes development of new and improved concepts, processes, techniques, services, products, and integrated systems for management information and technical documentation in support of the DOD scientific and technical information program.

As continuing additional requirements have been imposed for services to the research and development and logistics communities, DDC has developed from an R. & D. document supply activity to a major repository and retrieval activity for technical management information.

DOD/GSA SUPPLY RELATIONSHIPS—CIVIL AGENCY SUPPORT

Under terms of the DOD/GSA agreement reached at the end of 1964, a joint DSA/Federal supply service Materiel Management Review Committee was formed in 1965 to determine appropriate supply management assignments to DSA and GSA of Federal supply class (FSC) groups, classes and items under DOD integrated management. Agency heads have approved initial management assignments of 99 FSC's to DSA and 52 to the General Services Administration. Transfer to GSA of items in these 52 "Primary Federal Supply Service Classes" is scheduled for July 1967. An additional FSC has been assigned to GSA but has not yet been scheduled for transfer.

The DOD/GSA agreement further provided for DSA to consider support of all civil agencies for the commodities of fuel, electronics, clothing and textiles, medical and subsistence supplies, provided conditions of economies and support effectiveness are met. A DSA/GSA committee has completed its evaluation of the feasibility and economy of DSA support of all Federal civil agencies for fuel, electronics, and clothing and textiles and determined that:

Support for fuels involving procurement, but little workload impact on inventory management and distribution, will produce cost savings of approximately \$2.5 million annually and will not adversely affect military service support.

There is a high degree of commonality in electronics supplies used by civil agencies and DSA. DSA already supports approximately one-half of the civil agencies' annual \$10 million electronics requirement. Savings from expansion of DSA support for all civil agency common item electronics requirements will approximate \$0.6 million, in addition to the \$0.6 million now being saved under current DSA support.

In the clothing and textiles area, there is substantially less commonality of civil agency and DSA items; therefore, savings are less significant and workload impact greater. In view of already heavy commitments, DSA has proposed, and the Secretary of Defense has approved, limiting expansion of civil agency support to those specific instances where clear savings can be made without degrading military support capability. The clothing and textile area will be reexamined from time to time to identify any support which DSA might provide to civil agencies on a case-by-case basis; but at this time there is no plan for DSA to assume overall support.

The Secretary of Defense has approved the DSA proposal to support civil agencies for fuel and electronics. Phase-in of fuel support over a 10-month period is scheduled to begin 6 months from the final Bureau of the Budget decision authorizing such support. The tentative scheduling for support of civil agencies for electronics provides for