

periodic surveys of our principal buying offices. During such surveys, the teams frequently give spot tests to the personnel on this and on other of our regulations.

Chairman PROXMIRE. Are these spot tests, or all 3,000 of the officials have been tested?

Mr. MORRIS. We are talking about two different things. The particular training seminar I referred to, Mr. Malloy tells me, involves a testing at the end of the course.

Chairman PROXMIRE. For all members?

Mr. MORRIS. Those who attend; yes, sir. In addition, we have published—

Chairman PROXMIRE. I hate to keep interrupting you—but this 3,000—out of how many procurement officials?

Mr. MORRIS. We have a total professional force of around 25,000, of whom I would guess about 5,000 are small purchase personnel, and they have a separate training course of their own.

Chairman PROXMIRE. That would leave about 20,000, 3,000 of whom have gone through this. How long will it take to have all 20,000 trained and tested?

Mr. MORRIS. We have exposed all 20,000 to this new program, through a second technique which I mentioned; namely, the so-called self-help kit, a copy of which we will supply to you. That has a full case example that GAO assisted us in developing, plus questions and answers. That has gone out to 54,000 people.

Chairman PROXMIRE. You intend to bring any more into this more intensive program?

Mr. MORRIS. Yes, sir.

Chairman PROXMIRE. How many—all of them?

Mr. MORRIS. In time we want to cover our entire force. The film, that is part of this program, has been widely circulated; many copies have been made of it. It is quite a useful presentation—to impress upon all of our people an understanding of the importance that we attach to this law and its implementation.

Chairman PROXMIRE. You say in time. I trust you mean just as rapidly as you can—in view of the fact you are asking for the enforcement of the Truth in Negotiations Act as of next week. I presume if it is going to be enforced and the enforcement is going to mean anything, these people have to be trained within a few months—certainly by the first quarter of 1968—I would presume some of those people would be trained by that time.

43 TRAINING COURSES

Mr. MORRIS. Right. I would like to stress we do not depend just on one-shot training. We have, as mentioned, some 43 training courses, given at several locations; 8,300 people went through that last year, and that is about the flow we expect to go through these particular programs each year.

We will incorporate training in this subject in those courses as needed.

Chairman PROXMIRE. Now, you made a direct response, I think, to our many questions that I am sure are going to develop here on the use of Government-owned equipment by contractors?

Mr. MORRIS. Yes, sir.