

transmittal, mass transportation must also "conform to and support balanced urban development." For this reason, the reorganization plan provides for the continuation of the Department of Housing and Urban Development's role in important aspects of transportation research and planning as they relate to overall urban development.

The plan reserves to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development authority—

To make certain grants or undertake certain projects or activities which primarily involve the relationship of urban transportation systems to comprehensively planned urban development and the relationship of transportation planning to overall urban planning. These are authorities provided by the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964 for: (1) research, development, and demonstrations (sec. 6(a) of the act); (2) technical studies (sec. 9); and (3) grants to institutions of higher learning for comprehensive research (sec. 11).

To advise and assist the Secretary of Transportation in making findings and determinations that grant assistance is needed to carry out a proposed program, or one under active preparation, for a coordinated urban transportation system as part of the comprehensively planned development of an urban area. Such findings and determinations are a requisite, on a project-by-project basis, to the provision of assistance under the program. Thus, while the Secretary of Transportation would make the final decisions with respect to individual projects under the program, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development would provide advice particularly with respect to the relationship of such projects to the overall development of urban areas.

To enable the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary of Transportation jointly to establish criteria (called for in section 4(a) of the act) for identifying programs for coordinated urban transportation systems as part of the comprehensively planned development of urban areas. These general standards are used to determine the relationship between a coordinated urban transportation system and an area's overall development.

The plan provides the basis for a sound cooperative relationship between the two Departments—the Department of Transportation responsible for transportation policy and assistance, and the Department of Housing and Urban Development responsible for leadership in comprehensive planning, including transportation planning as it relates to broader urban development needs. The two Departments are now working out the detailed coordinating procedures necessary to assure the implementation of both roles.

The reorganization plan is an important part of the President's program for improving the management of Federal programs and activities and the Bureau of the Budget strongly recommends that Congress allow the plan to become effective.

That concludes my statement, Mr. Chairman. We can proceed from here as you and the committee might wish.

Mr. BLATNIK. Thank you. Mr. Hughes. We will now have the statement by Secretary Boyd, a copy of which is before each of the members of the committee, and following that a statement by the Under Secretary of HUD, the Honorable Robert C. Wood.