

Mr. MEEKER. I do not see any element of competition. This is a matter in which we want to be helpful to foreign governments and that is our attitude.

Mr. GRAY. So far as you are concerned, this would be an alternative. If they want to locate here, they would be welcome but there will be no effort to put all the hens in the same chicken coop?

Mr. MEEKER. That is right. I have here a list of the countries that have expressed an interest in the National Bureau of Standards site.

Mr. GRAY. Will you read them into the record?

Mr. MEEKER. I will read them now. The 16 I have referred to are Venezuela, Malaysia, Pakistan, Mexico, Sweden, France, India, Peru, Ghana, Bolivia, Haiti, Kenya, Libya, Trinidad and Tobago, Upper Volta and Jamaica. Tanzania and the Democratic Republic of the Congo have also just recently inquired about the site.

Mr. GRAY. Beyond that 16, how many chanceries to your knowledge have indicated an interest or have selected another site in recent months?

Mr. MEEKER. Probably another 10.

Mr. GRAY. That have already indicated they are going to go somewhere else?

Mr. MEEKER. Which either have expressed an interest in another site such as this one on Ward Circle or who are still considering the matter.

Mr. GRAY. The point I am making, it would be impossible to get all of them in here even if we wanted to because some have already expressed an interest in going into other places.

Mr. MEEKER. We think that is true.

Mr. GRAY. Are there any questions at all? Mr. Denney?

Mr. DENNEY. How many countries are in the Organization of American States? How many are represented?

Mr. MEEKER. The number now is 22.

Mr. DENNEY. What percentage of the contribution for the operation of the organization does the United States contribute?

Mr. MEEKER. It is two-thirds for the United States.

Mr. DENNEY. So that any new building would be at the cost of two-thirds to the United States?

Mr. MEEKER. That is correct.

Mr. DENNEY. The Ambassador is shaking his head no.

Mr. MEEKER. Perhaps Ambassador Linowitz can elaborate a little later on.

Mr. DENNEY. I am just trying to get some background material. I am very much in favor of this bill but I want to know what we are talking about because these are the questions they ask us on the floor.

Can you tell me who is the Secretary of the Organization of American States now?

Mr. MEEKER. Dr. José A. Mora. He will be succeeded by Dr. Galo Plaza.

Mr. DENNEY. Who is Mr. Sanders? Was he a Secretary at one time?

Mr. MEEKER. Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of American States.

Mr. DENNEY. He is no longer with the Organization?

Mr. MEEKER. No, he is with the Organization.

Mr. DENNEY. Is he still an assistant?