

**STATEMENT OF HON. SOL. M. LINOWITZ, AMBASSADOR OF THE
UNITED STATES TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES**

Mr. LINOWITZ. Only until May 18, Mr. Denney.

Mr. DENNEY. Has he been fired?

Mr. LINOWITZ. Their terms are expiring and their successor have been elected.

Mr. DENNEY. Do they have an elected term? Do you have an election by virtue of all the States meeting together somewhat similar to the U.N. where they elect the secretariat, and so forth?

Mr. GRAY. Let me say this. The Ambassador is our next witness and I think maybe we can hold off on some of these questions.

Mr. DENNEY. Fine. Do you know how much during the past year the United States has contributed to the Organization of American States?

Mr. MEEKER. May I suggest that Ambassador Linowitz could take that question also.

Mr. GRAY. May I say to our distinguished friend we will see if there are any other questions and we will call the Ambassador.

Mr. GROVER. The chairman asked what the claim of improvements would be in section 5. I did not hear your response.

Mr. MEEKER. They have been established or estimated at \$250,000.

Mr. GROVER. I think we will also be confronted with an inquiry into the possible amount which would be required as it says such funds as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. Could you give us a target amount?

Mr. MEEKER. The only cost that we anticipate now which would be covered by that authorization is the cost of improvements at the \$250,000 figure I mentioned.

Mr. GROVER. Then as you lease or sell off plots to these countries, I presume that would be done at market value.

Mr. MEEKER. Yes; it would be.

Mr. GROVER. One last question. You referred to 34 acres of the Bureau of Standards. Is there any residual acreage after that or is that the entire parcel?

Mr. MEEKER. The plan for the use of the National Bureau of Standards site, I think, will be illustrated best by Mrs. Rowe's testimony a bit later this morning. The tract would include several elements, first, an area for chancery sites, an area for the OAS headquarters and finally, two park areas which would be retained as park areas.

Mr. GROVER. What is the total acreage of the site as it exists today?

Mr. MEEKER. The entire acreage is 34 acres of which 16 would be devoted to chanceries and 8 for the OAS and the balance of 10 acres would be in parks.

Mr. GROVER. It is not ambiguous; you said it would dedicate 34 acres of the site formerly occupied. In effect, you would dedicate the whole 34 acres.

Mr. MEEKER. In sum, all of it.

Mr. GROVER. Thank you.

Mr. GRAY. Let me ask one additional question with reference to these proposed costs of improvement. Would it not be reasonable to assume that the sale of land would far more than recoup enough money to make these improvements?