

Standards grounds would be subject to coordination with, and without cost to, the District of Columbia. Thus the bill contains adequate safeguards for District of Columbia concerns, such as street and public facility construction on the property described in the bill.

The Administrator of General Services has issued a permit to the District of Columbia making a portion of the Bureau of Standards property available to the Washington Technical Institute for not less than three years nor more than five years, for temporary quarters. The District believes that the needs of the Washington Technical Institute should be coordinated with those of the foreign governments and international organizations which will be making use of property in the same area.

In view of the fact the bill offers a solution to the problem of providing space in which can be located buildings to be occupied by foreign missions and international organizations, the Government of the District of Columbia strongly supports its enactment.

The Government of the District of Columbia has been advised by the Bureau of the Budget that, from the standpoint of the Administration's program, there is no objection to the submission of this report to the Congress, and that enactment of the bill would be in accord with the program of the President.

Sincerely yours,

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 (For : Walter E. Washington, Commissioner).

Mr. GRAY. Mr. Moyer, referring to that portion of Mr. Fletcher's letter, where he says the District believes the needs of the Washington Technical Institute should be coordinated with those of foreign governments and international organizations which will be making use of property in the same area and then the paragraph preceding that, he said that the construction of streets and public facilities in the area formerly occupied by the Bureau of Standards, the grounds would be subject to coordination with, and without cost to, the District of Columbia government.

Now, who is going to pay for these improvements if the District of Columbia here in this letter indicates that they expect all these improvements to be made without cost to the District and as I read the next paragraph it says that these improvements should be coordinated with the Washington Technical Institute.

Who is going to pay for all these improvements, if the District is abrogating that responsibility?

Mr. MOYER. In the first paragraph where we are talking about the streets and public facilities as such, those would be expenses to the Department of State and for relandscaping the area.

Mr. GRAY. I understand that. I am talking about this Washington Technical Institute.

Mr. MOYER. It is my understanding that the Washington Technical Institute will be using some of the existing buildings and we are just talking about coordination of the foreign governments moving in.

Mr. GRAY. You are taking the position this is all within the complex and not the responsibility of the District government for maintenance?

Mr. MOYER. That is right. We have been in contact with the State Department and General Services Administration and we understand at the present time and for the next several years, there will be room for the Technical Institute and the OAS to move in.

Mr. GRAY. In other words between the time that the OAS takes over this 8 acres, the Washington Technical Institute will continue to use these existing buildings and therefore use the streets and all in the area now?