

Mr. GROVER. We say "maintained"; we mean maintained and operated.

Mr. WALKER. That is correct. Maintained and operated, like heating, cleaning, and so forth.

Mr. GROVER. But also staffing?

Mr. WALKER. Yes, sir. Staffing is also included in maintaining and operating, but this does not begin until fiscal 1973 when the building is completed.

Mr. GROVER. Could we get into the record anticipated year-to-year operating funds?

Mr. WALKER. May I ask Mr. Feidler to speak to that?

Mr. FEIDLER. Of course you can understand it is somewhat difficult to work out a budget fund for a building for which not even an architect has been chosen, but we sought to do this because we felt we ought to know, and we felt that Members of Congress would want to know, what this fiscal problem would eventually come to.

We hired as a consultant, a well known public servant, Fred Lawton and asked him to make a study for us. He, as you know, was formerly director of the Bureau of the Budget. His estimate for the first year ran some \$500,000 with a gradual growing of the costs over the following years so that after 5 years, it would be \$700,000 and eventually about a million dollars per year.

Mr. GROVER. How does that compare with your current operating budget for the gallery?

Mr. FEIDLER. Our current operating budget is a little over \$3 million.

Mr. GROVER. Your current space is approximately what?

Mr. WALKER. About 500,000 square feet.

Mr. GROVER. Dollar for dollar, we will be getting a better cost efficiency ratio.

Mr. FEIDLER. Mr. Grover, I do think I should emphasize what Mr. Walker has also mentioned, and that is that we believe this will result in an eventual savings in appropriated funds. The gallery is growing; it is a viable, living organism. That growth is going to require things to be housed, and we intend to house them in the new building. It is our best estimate that this will be cheaper than to try to do that in our present building.

Mr. GROVER. I suppose past history would not rule out the prospect of foundation funds being made available even in the future for operating.

Mr. WALKER. Well, the foundation funds will be made available to take care of the people who are going to be working in the building, scholars, and graduate students, and so on. Those we will fund out of the private funds. We are already running a small center for advanced studies, in very cramped quarters at the National Gallery with funds provided by the Old Dominion Foundation, the Kress Foundation, and the Chester Dale bequest. This is the pattern we will have to follow with the new building. However, the regular operation and maintenance will be paid as it is at present, from appropriated public funds.

Mr. GRAY. Counsel Sullivan.

Mr. SULLIVAN. In connection with page 3 of the legislation—we were just talking about language to this effect: line 7, replace 3(f) "the cost of such relocation," strike out "the expense of other than the District of Columbia"; and include the following language: "defrayed from