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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
MILITARY OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met at 10 a.m., in room 2203, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. Chet Holifield, chairman of the subcommittee, presiding.

Present: Representatives Holifield and Erlenborn.

Also present: Herbert Roback, staff administrator; Douglas Dahlin, counsel; Paul Ridgely, investigator; and Joseph Luman, defense analyst.

Mr. HOLIFIELD. The committee will be in order.

The purpose of these hearings is to update the subcommittee on recent developments in the military use of satellite communications and place satellite communications in the broader context of military communications worldwide in their diverse forms.

Today we will start with the second item. Lt. Gen. Richard P. Klocko, Director of the Defense Communications Agency, will review for us the organization, functions, and resources of his agency and the Defense Communications System (DCS) which the agency administers.

General Klocko's presentation is classified "Secret" and so the members are requested to return their copies of the statement to our staff at the close of the hearing this morning.¹ Not all of the discussion is necessarily classified. General Klocko will be present at the open hearing tomorrow and will be available for further discussion.

Tomorrow morning we will hear Dr. Gardiner L. Tucker, Deputy Director of Research and Engineering Electronics and Information Systems. Dr. Tucker was before our subcommittee last July when, I believe, he made his first congressional appearance.

Dr. Tucker will review the plans and progress of the Department of Defense in military satellite communications, including the initial system, the pending phase II, the tactical satellite communications program, and other matters of interest.

Now we welcome General Klocko and his associates.

I see you have a presentation, so you may proceed.

¹ The classified portion of General Klocko's statement has been deleted.