

APPENDIX 4.—SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROTESTS ON CHARGES BY COMMUNICATION CARRIERS

Investigation of all interstate and foreign rates of A.T. & T. and its associated companies. A GSA petition for leave to intervene was filed in November 1965. Cross-examination of A.T. & T. expert economic witnesses will resume on January 27, 1969. DOD/GSA testimony for phase 1B will have to be filed 14 days after the completion of cross-examination. It is now anticipated that testimony will be filed for both General Grant and General Williams (GSA). Written testimony is due July 22, 1968 and cross-examination begins September 25, 1968.

Interdependence of computer and communications services and facilities, docket 16979. An inquiry by the FCC to decide if it should take jurisdiction. The joint DOD/GSA comments were filed on March 5, 1968. We are awaiting the next step by FCC. DCA has urged free and unrestricted interconnection.

Domestic telegraph service investigation, docket 14650. An investigation into Western Union's operations and services—reliability of service, plans for improvement, interconnection, financing, etc. The telephone and telegraph committees have issued their report, the proceeding is now in a dormant stage, and is not expected to become active again until after the A.T. & T. Investigation. DOD comments filed with the Commission on June 25, 1962.

TELPAC service investigation, docket 14251. An investigation of charges which resulted in the A. & B. TELPAK's being terminated by FCC order as being discriminatory against private line users. DOD and GSA were cocounsel. Remaining issues re C. & D. TELPAK's in this proceeding will be considered in the A.T. & T. Investigation, docket 18128. DOD filed a protest on behalf of all executive agencies of United States to the new revised rates on May 10, as costs to do would increase on September 1 by more than \$1.5 million per month.

Protest of A.T. & T. and Western Union's unified private line rates, docket (open). GSA and DOD protesting rates and classification of service—short and long haul, on July 17, 1966. Rates were allowed to go into effect. FCC deferred decision until after the completion of docket 16258, the A.T. & T. investigation.

Investigation of Northwestern Bell Telephone Co.'s charges for communications facilities to Offutt Atlas missile complex, docket 17478. DOD complaint filed with the Commission on July 3, 1967. FCC issued an order directing an investigation. A prehearing conference has been held and most of facts have been stipulated. The carrier has failed to reduce its termination charges (the issue), negotiations are still in process.

Investigations of RCAC, Hawaiian Telephone Co., A.T. & T. cable rates in the Pacific, and investigation of A.T. & T. cable rates in the Atlantic. Voluntary reductions in rates have been filed since these petitions were filed with the Commission. DOD filed petition for investigation of rates in 1964. The Commission has not yet ordered an investigation of these rates, but has indicated that they will be considered in phase 2 of docket 16258. If the FCC does not take such action, we will consider a new petition to the Commission demanding a hearing.

Investigation of A.T. & T.'s rate for COPAN service, docket 18031. A DOD complaint was filed against A.T. & T.'s COPAN (command post alert network) rates on February 15, 1968. A.T. & T.'s answer is due. Negotiations are underway to attempt a settlement of the case which involves unreasonable charges on terminal equipment and need for FCC jurisdiction versus that of the States.

Private line service—Monthly supplementary charges, docket 18137. DOD protest against the Chickasaw Telephone Co. for unlawful charges as they might affect access line costs in AUTOVON. Complaint filed on May 31, 1968.

Night Watch, A.T. & T. Co. Petition for investigation pending. Protest for unreasonable charges for air-to-ground communications negotiations in process. DOD petition for investigation filed with the FCC on February 14, 1968.