

As you know, there are only 204 miles of road on the island. Out of these, 96 miles of this paved highway are maintained by the Government of Guam; 18.1 miles are maintained by the Navy, and 11.9 are maintained by the Air Force.

In other words, 30 percent of the highways are maintained by the military and 70 percent are maintained by the Government of Guam.

But, as you know, the military activities are spread all over the island and I can tell you, I think I can best illustrate that by the map here—see, the island is only 209 square miles. Up here in the northern part is the Andersen Air Force Base where the B-52's make their daily runs to Vietnam. Here, on the western part, is the Apra Harbor where the Polaris and other installations—munitions depot.

These lines here indicate the main highway, Marine Drive, from the Naval Station to here [indicating]. This highway is a four-lane highway. From there on it is only two lanes.

Altogether, all these roads here, all Government of Guam—but, nevertheless, the military is spread all over, they are over here, they are over there, they are over here and over there [indicating], so that, necessarily, the military must go through these highways like the civilian.

Today we have 35,000 vehicles on the island registered by the Government of Guam, not taking into account all the military vehicles which are heavier. These vehicles are all through these highways, they carry the ammunition that comes into the port all the way out to Andersen Air Force Base. It is not unusual that sometimes these cars, I mean the heavy equipment carrying the bombs up here, sometimes I have seen it myself, sometimes a spill on the highway. Fortunately, of course, they are kept safe so that they do not explode. But it is a hazard. Many times, I could show you a picture—here the picture is of an explosive, you can see, running on the highways. We have a schoolbus behind it there. Also explosives going up the same highway.

Now, like up here, in the early morning hour, people going to work from 7 to 9 or from 4 to 6, because of the congested highways, you just go like a snail. In other words, bumper-to-bumper situation.

Now, the government of Guam, as you know, has very limited resources. Our plan, of course, is to improve the roads so that there will be greater mobility, not only for the civilian but for the military.

The military has not done anything about it. But, fortunately, they were glad to make this study in cooperation with the Federal highway people.

Now, it is estimated by the public roads department to improve some of these roads, which is only—I think you see the miles. The island is only 30 miles long and certainly these main highways are used jointly by the military and would not cost very much, but our present estimate calls for about \$4 million.

Now, last year, legislature appropriated \$230,000 just for maintenance of these.

Now, the military only maintains 30 percent of that, so you can see the Guam Government bears the greater burden of maintenance, while the military has a greater use because of the heavy equipment which rolls through all these highways.