

haps to something like the Rand Corp. There are many forms which it could take, but I think it has to begin to assemble a unique collection of resources.

Mr. DADDARIO. Not under the control of the Attorney General's Office and within the jurisdiction of the Justice Department?

Dr. BLUMSTEIN. I think it must be outside the Government.

Mr. DADDARIO. How then would it relate itself back to the law enforcement people?

Dr. BLUMSTEIN. It should be in a major metropolitan center and operated in close coordination with operating criminal systems. It should not be serving under any operating system. It must have the freedom, I think, to really ask the basic questions that the system may find it uncomfortable to have asked if it is part of the system. The operating agencies would get their support from their own operations research groups. I think you need something that is separate and independent of these operating agencies.

Mr. DADDARIO. Why should anybody feel uncomfortable about this taking into consideration what you have said earlier? When I asked you a question about No. 2 you said that this really is outside of their province, and if it is, then they should not be uncomfortable. The reason I am asking you these questions is to find out whether or not you are critical about what is being done, and I am not able to elicit that from you. This would be extremely important if, in fact, you support this. You say that it should be outside of the present criminal justice activities, and if someone who is presently doing this work would be uncomfortable, then it would not be borne out by the questions I asked you regarding No. 2 would be within that same logical stream of authority.

Dr. BLUMSTEIN. I am sorry. First, very little is being done now in this whole area of research or development.

Item No. 2 refers primarily to equipment to support operating agencies. I think that should be very responsive to their needs and very closely linked to the operating problems.

Mr. DADDARIO. How can you create equipment to meet the problems you indicate exist and need to be met, without having the research that could lead to the development of the equipment needed?

Dr. BLUMSTEIN. The basic research I am talking about is not technological research. I think the equipment needed in operating police departments is almost all on the shelf somewhere. It is a matter of choosing from what is available and tying it together in the right way. Although there are some exceptions to that, basically the equipment can be made available. It is not that you need basic physical research to provide new physical knowledge to get new equipment. The research that is needed is research into the operations of this system, into social causes of crime, into the impact on crime of the various things done in the name of controlling it. It is not basic physical research that is the critical bind. Item No. 4 is directed much more at research into the criminal justice system, into the process of police resources allocation, and not specifically the research that will lead to better radios. We know how to make the radios. It is a matter of coagulating the market, organizing the demand, and providing the wherewithal to get the radios introduced.