

Mr. COLBS. This is an advantage that these types of standardized systems give you. It gives you a basis for analysis. You can analyze transaction data coming from using units, by commodities, and see what your experience has been. This will point up the exceptions such as abuse of the system that will require specific management attention.

Mr. ROBACK. You referred in your testimony to an earlier report to several committees of the Congress. This was not a formal report by the Comptroller General?

Mr. FASICK. No, it wasn't. It was transmitted by the Comptroller General to the chairmen of various committees.

Mr. ROBACK. It wasn't a blue book, was it?

Mr. FASICK. No.

USE OF STOCK FUNDS

Mr. ROBACK. In that report were some of the things you have recapped or restated in your testimony, but there was one item I recall that you didn't touch upon in your testimony, and that is you suggested that possibly under combat or crisis conditions the stock fund method of financing supplies could be inefficient or a delay factor. If the fund was inadequate or the commanders didn't have the requisite funding, then there would be unnecessary delays and you thought perhaps there ought to be suspensions, as I recall—

Mr. FASICK. A raising of stock fund control to a higher level.

Mr. ROBACK. Would you expand on that a bit and do you still subscribe to that position?

Mr. FASICK. We do. In the report we recommended it and the Army has adopted it. No supplies are being denied to Vietnam now because of stock fund limitations. We did find, as pointed out in that report, back in March 1966 that several hundred million dollars of supplies were held up because of the allocation of stock funds—

Mr. ROBACK. Who is the paying entity closest to Vietnam? Who has to pay for the supplies?

Mr. FASICK. USARPAC—U.S. Army, Pacific.

Mr. ROBACK. Under what conditions ought there be suspension? When there is fighting, actual combat?

Mr. FASICK. Yes, this is what we suggested.

ADEQUACY OF FACILITIES IN VIETNAM

Mr. RANDALL. That was the long bell indication that the House is in session. I think under the rule we have consent to sit while the House is in session. I won't be very long. I have just a few questions. I find no reason to question some of your recommendations on page 3 of your report, which seem to be very reasonable. When I get over on page 4, you talk of the lack of sufficient computer capability. You are not suggesting putting computers out there in the field, are you?

Mr. STOLAROW. The Army is doing just that, sir.

Mr. FASICK. Down at the DSU unit—

Mr. RANDALL. Whereabouts, in Saigon?

Mr. FASICK. In Saigon, Cam Ranh Bay, Qui Nhon.

Mr. RANDALL. We managed to break away from our keepers one afternoon and got around a little bit on our own. That is why I want to ask you something about these photographs. When were these photographs taken?