

Mr. FASICK. November and December of 1967.

Mr. RANDALL. We will have to say we didn't see anything quite as disheveled as this unless some of this stuff just came in. We found some pretty good warehouses there, and in pretty good order.

Mr. FASICK. That was at Long Binh.

Mr. RANDALL. Up and between there and Cam Ranh. We took a pretty long trip, and, I would have to submit, all up and down there it was much better than your photographs would indicate. You say this was in December?

Mr. FASICK. November and December.

Mr. LUMAN. This is Saigon?

Mr. FASICK. Saigon, the 506th Depot, which is moving, and I suspect it is going to take them a couple of months to get them moved to Long Binh.

Mr. RANDALL. We have established the fact that you are going to put computers in the field.

Mr. FASICK. The Army is.

Mr. RANDALL. You say there is a shortage of trained inventory managers. These would all have to be civilians.

Mr. FASICK. No, sir. They have military people trained. For example, you may have had occasion to visit the Marines' computer center. It is about 10 miles outside of DaNang. They have it all sandbagged, but they have a very complicated computer set up there 10 miles outside of DaNang. But these are essential, sir, to today's modern, highly sophisticated, highly complex logistics systems. I don't think they could operate without them for a very long period.

Mr. RANDALL. Your contention is at the time you wrote this report there was still inadequate facilities for the storage of inventory in December?

Mr. FASICK. Very much so, and I suspect the Army would be pleased to point out to you, too, that they could use more facilities.

Mr. RANDALL. I don't think there is any doubt about that. I just have to challenge the disparity between your photographs and some of the things we felt were in pretty good condition as far as their warehousing.

You recommend that the Secretary, on page 36, establish a system for challenging the priorities of requisitions in Vietnam to preclude unauthorized use of unnecessary high priorities. Well, of course, a high-priority item is something you have to have, and I assume that someone is going to pass judgment on that at the start. How are you going to check on that commander? How are you going to challenge it?

Mr. FASICK. If the man comes in and he wants a refrigerator or a davenport—

Mr. RANDALL. Is it quantities or items?

Mr. FASICK. It would be types of items and quantities, both.

Mr. RANDALL. I think there is a reasonable doubt about refrigerators, but as distinguished from the number of weapons—you are not talking about weapons?

Mr. FASICK. Not combat essential items at all.

Mr. RANDALL. Then you are not talking about combat items?

Mr. FASICK. We are talking about noncombat essential items.

Mr. RANDALL. You refer there to an inventory manager. Are you suggesting that be within the military or is that civilian? On page