

statement later on, so please excuse it, sir, but there is a misconception I believe to some extent in the authority and control the Army Materiel Command has outside the continental United States.

It is true that, commandwise, direct commandwise, they have no responsibility outside the United States in terms of commanding a particular installation or commanding personnel assigned to an overseas commander.

However, this is about the only dogmatic simple statement you can make, sir.

The Army Materiel Command, and we can supply for the record a listing of those things that the Army Materiel Command is responsible for, but the Army Materiel Command is responsible, basically at least, through technical channels of everything from birth to death of a piece of equipment, including the design of it in the beginning and including the testing of it and down through the distribution to troops, and finally the disposal of it at the end.

(The list referred to follows:)

The Army Materiel Command (AMC) and its national inventory control points have responsibility for worldwide management of all items under their jurisdiction. Although AMC does not have command authority over supply units overseas, it does exercise management influence over items in overseas depots in many ways. For example AMC writes most of the supply and maintenance regulations prescribing procedures to be followed and promulgating Army policy with respect to management of these supplies. Following are some specific responsibilities of AMC and the applicable regulations:

1. Conduct of supply control studies resulting in procurement of Army worldwide requirements, AR 710-45.
2. Designation of items to be reported on in the Army's asset reports, AR 711-5, AR 711-80, AR 711-140.
3. Designation of critical items and the responsibility and authority to redistribute these items, AR 710-50.
4. Computation of overseas mobilization reserve stockage levels.
5. Supply procedures for TOE and TDA units and activities, AR 735-35.
6. Supply procedures for direct support units (DSU's), AR 711-16.
7. Overall monitorship and reviewing authority for establishment and maintenance of operational projects, AR 725-65.
8. Develops worldwide policies and procedures regarding maintenance of class V supplies (ammunition) in overseas areas, AR 752-22.
9. Local purchase of civilian-type items, AR 715-30.
10. Determines the item manager and advises Army users worldwide of designated supply source of the item. Also identifies decentralized items for local procurement, AR 700-1, AR 700-3, AR 700-12.
11. Develops Army-wide procedures and criteria for disposal of property, AR 755 series.
12. Develops Army-wide procedures pertaining to support for international logistics programs, AR 795 series.
13. Develops Army-wide procedures and criteria for determining dry battery requirements, AR 730-8.
14. Operates the Army Packaging Board and develops packing, packaging, and marking criteria and procedures, AR 15-450, AR 700-15.
15. Develops and monitors Army-wide implementation of MILSTRIP procedures for implementation (requisitioning, issue, and receipt procedures). AMC has the same responsibilities for MILSTRAP (accounting), MILSTEP (evaluation), and UMMIPS (priorities).
16. AMC has ownership and total responsibility and control over the 1,700-plus items included in the program for extension of AMC ownership of high dollar items overseas.
17. Assist DA in centralized control over worldwide depot maintenance program fully implemented July 1, 1968.

General HEISER. Now it is true that the overseas command has a responsibility, but included in this responsibility is the responsibility