

For example, we would give the company commander a listing of the property that he is held accountable for on a printout basis, and the battalion commander would be given a copy of this so that he could exercise command management over the equipment within his battalion.

Mr. ROBACK. What does the supply sergeant then have to do, keep it updated by reporting changes?

General MILLER. Or by his requisitioning actions. Say an item of equipment is damaged and it has to be turned in. The actual transaction of requisition and receipting through the division automated supply procedures would automatically adjust the property book records.

Since the company commander is held responsible for the property, the supply sergeant posts changes on the printouts, until a new printout is received.

Mr. DAHLIN. Mr. Chairman?

Mr. HOLIFIELD. Mr. Dahlin.

ADP PROGRAM PACKAGES

Mr. DAHLIN. General, you say that the common program packages are being used where feasible between COSMOS and CS₃. On a previous page you said that the general support program packages were being used for CS₃. Is that the case?

General MILLER. That is correct.

Mr. DAHLIN. Does that mean that you are trying to use all of these common support packages in COSMOS almost as developed, or is there a considerable rework involved here?

General MILLER. I would like to refer that to the expert in the detail, and perhaps the detail that you are interested in. I would like to ask Mr. Smith, who is present, to answer that as far as COSMOS is concerned.

Mr. SMITH. Let's take some of the specific files.

The demand analysis subsystem is one which we are trying to use common between all of the CS₃ and the COSMOS systems. When we get to a lower level, we have to strip certain elements out, but the same program logic, et cetera, is used in both systems. The same is true of the real time and the inventory subsystems.

We are all trying to use the same program logic, the same code, the same formats, throughout.

There is some redesign, mainly because you have a different number of customers and environment in a general support than you have in a COSMOS, so your parameters for your computation of supply levels might be different. More sophistication is required at the Army headquarters level than we want to be at the GS level in the field.

Mr. DAHLIN. The program packages for the general support level or for the CS₃ were developed by a contractor, as we understand it.

Mr. SMITH. Yes, sir.

Mr. DAHLIN. Is your redesign being done in-house, or is that being done by this same contractor, or a different contractor?

Mr. SMITH. Sir, we have the same contractor for the demand analysis system in both packages. The demand analysis system in the 6th Army was developed by a contractor. The same contractor has restructured this same demand analysis file for use by the Army in the field.