Admiral Haddock. For the roughly 68,000 items in which GSA is now supporting the services, GSA becomes the wholesale supply support organization for the DOD activities as we are for the other items.

The services will draw from DSA stocks as they need items or quantities of items to put in their retail systems such as aboard ship or

in overseas bases, or in camps and stations in continental limits.

Further, for these items to the extent that they can afford to do financially and agree with our computations, GSA has agreed to stock mobilization reserve quantities of items. They have agreed to accept from the services directly provisioning requests for stockage of new items in their assigned classes.

Mr. Roback. This mobilization reserve is for all classes under their

control for the military services?

Admiral Haddock. Yes, sir.

Mr. Roback. Supply?

Admiral Haddock. Yes, sir.

Mr. Roback. This means that they will have to carry stationary stocks.

Admiral Haddock. Levels over and above what would be their normal peacetime requirements to meet service peacetime demands.

Mr. Roback. This becomes an additional budget concern?

Admiral Haddock. Yes, sir.

Mr. Roback. To them?

Admiral Haddock. Yes, sir. Mr. Abersfeller has not told me how

he will do this, but he has agreed to try to do it.

Mr. Roback. We have a GSA representative. I think we might ask him to make some observations at the appropriate time. Do we have a GSA representative who has authority to speak on the subject? Is there anybody from GSA here?

Mr. CARNEY. I am a GSA representative.

Mr. Roback. You do not feel you can throw light on this subject? Mr. Carney. I would prefer not to comment at this time on this particular subject.

Mr. Holifield. What is your name, please?

Mr. Carney. John Carney. I would be happy to provide it.

Mr. Roback. In light of the discussion of GSA relationships here, you might present us a statement which comments on the points or makes any other observations you think we ought to have for the record.

Mr. CARNEY. Yes, sir.

Mr. Roback. Will you do that? Mr. Carney. I will be happy to.

(The information requested follows:)

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, Washington, D.C., July 18, 1968.

Hon. CHET HOLIFIELD, Chairman, Military Operations Subcommittee, Committee on Government Operations, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. HOLIFIELD: As requested by Mr. Dahlin, your subcommittee staff counsel, I am pleased to submit a background summary of General Services Administration's role in the supply support of the Department of Defense. This submittal relates to your subcommittee hearings on review of military supply system concepts, methods, and operations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Defense Supply Agency.