

Is there any benefit that flows in that respect giving more technical help to some of the contracting people?

Admiral HADDOCK. I do not quite recognize that as an advantage. During the times when we were having difficulty getting production, we were able to use contract administration services people to expedite critical items for us through production.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT

Mr. ROBACK. Let me ask a question, Admiral.

Do you have charge now of the inventory of industrial equipment?

Admiral HADDOCK. Yes, sir.

Mr. ROBACK. Does that include the national inventory and the Defense inventory? I mean do you have the total control?

Admiral HADDOCK. No, sir; it is not quite that simply stated.

Mr. ROBACK. Who has what you do not have?

Admiral HADDOCK. We have this responsibility: for items which are identified as industrial plant equipment and the identification primarily involves metalworking tools over \$1,000.

Mr. ROBACK. Are these in-plant?

Admiral HADDOCK. In contractor's plants primarily.

Mr. ROBACK. You do not have control of the equipment stockpile?

Admiral HADDOCK. No.

Mr. ROBACK. Machine tools?

Admiral HADDOCK. No, sir.

Mr. ROBACK. Or anything like that?

Admiral HADDOCK. No, sir.

Mr. ROBACK. You just have control over the in-plant Government-owned equipment?

Admiral HADDOCK. Yes, sir.

Mr. ROBACK. Of certain kinds?

Admiral HADDOCK. Yes, sir; that is right.

Mr. ROBACK. The rest of it is managed by the services?

Admiral HADDOCK. Yes, sir; and our primary purpose in being involved here is to know what is available in these plants, to remove them from plants, and hold them in store, in some cases renovate them, and to supply these assets, make these assets available to meet either a military requirement or a DOD contract requirement for the future.

Mr. ROBACK. Have all equipments been allocated, assigned as among the services and yourself?

In other words, is there an inventory of all this? Do you know what you own or what you manage right now?

Admiral HADDOCK. We have centrally at the Defense Industrial Plant Equipment Center an inventory, which is as good as any inventory I guess, and maybe a little better, since we are in the process of reconciling it now with contractors, of what these items are in the contractors' plants, and in our own storage facilities.

Mr. ROBACK. Does that mean for all the services, all Government-owned, or only for what you are managing?

Admiral HADDOCK. All Government-owned.

Mr. ROBACK. Theoretically you know where the material is and what it is?