

you risk your lives, where nobody in the United States of America wants to be a policeman any more.

That is all I have. God blesss you. You have a job to do, you are doing it the best you can. It is on top we should be concerned about, not with you people. That is all I have to say.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Sisk.

Mr. SISK. Just quickly—one of the things, Mr. Murphy, that I think has troubled a great many people here with reference to the recent problems had to do with the criticism that went to what seemed to be a long delay in recognizing a problem existed. I think it is probably rightly so. That is where my criticism lies.

I think that almost anyone should have known Thursday night pretty well what was going to happen, I would like, quickly, if someone can—either you or the gentleman here from the Department of the Army—to give me the sequence of events as to exactly when help was requested above and beyond the police.

Now, I recognize that the police—apparently, at a certain time, you called in all your reserve. At what point did that occur, Chief Layton?

Chief LAYTON. We called in—put the order out to call in all reserves after sometime between 11:00 and 12:00 o'clock Thursday night. Earlier, Mr. Sisk, we had made a decision that we needed the first call for the tour of duty coming on at midnight to report earlier, and I don't have the time.

Mr. SISK. Do you have the time on that?

Chief LAYTON. That order to bring the midnight tour of duty in early was at 10:10 p.m., on the fourth.

Mr. SISK. That was at 10:10?

Chief LAYTON. Yes, sir.

Mr. SISK. On Thursday night?

Chief LAYTON. Yes, sir. We decided about that same time to hold until further notice all of the men working 4:00 o'clock p.m. to 12:00 midnight. Then it was a little after midnight that the order actually went out to call in all of the off-duty men, the day section included.

Mr. SISK. All right. Let's say, then, by 1:00 o'clock a.m., on Friday morning, or one hour after midnight Thursday night, the police had called up all the forces it had.

Whose authority, Mr. Murphy, was it to make a request for additional help, for the National Guard and the Military? Who had the authority under the program you had set up before to make that decision, as to what point at which to request additional aid?

Mr. MURPHY. Well, the arrangement was that our Commissioner Washington would make the request, but Commissioner Washington and Chief Layton and I conferred shortly after midnight and we had been in telephonic communication with some people at the Pentagon, and it was decided that I should go to the Pentagon at 3:00 a.m.

I arrived there about 3:00 o'clock, after the meeting had been set up, and explained the situation we had had, the present condition in the city, our concern about the next evening, and we began at that time to—

Mr. SISK. At what hour, and minute, was a specific request made for Military aid in the situation?

Mr. MURPHY. At that conference, sir, we requested that the National Guard be on the street before dark Friday evening.