

a military staff adviser to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for installation and logistics—in particular, Mr. Riley, who is in charge of the particular area that I am involved in, supply policy, utilization and disposal.

Mr. ROMNEY. Colonel David, the chairman has just noted a number of implementing instructions relating to the exchange/sale policy, instructions which we did not learn about until very recently. I would like to know if you can provide us any additional references to implementing instructions that have been issued within the Department of Defense concerning the exchange/sale policy since Mr. Morris' letter of March 27, 1968.

Colonel DAVID. Since the March 27 memorandum, there has not been any additional action taken by me. There has, however, been action taken by the Defense Supply Agency in obtaining military service coordination on common procedures, applicable to the screening and disposition of exchange/sale property, for inclusion in the Defense Disposal Manual. There has also been action taken regarding the implementation of the policy on the ASPR. This latter change became effective April 15, 1968.

Mr. ROMNEY. Colonel, I wish you would comment on this, if you can. In a memorandum from the regional representative of HEW's Office of Surplus Property Utilization, dated June 7, 1968, the regional representative refers to the Air Force Logistics Command CMAL No. 68-21, which is one of the implementing instructions which have been issued by the service departments about exchange/sale. It was issued in May of this year. The memorandum goes on to say, and I quote, "We," meaning OGPU, San Francisco, "have had considerable discussion of this with our central office and in turn they have probed the matter with the Air Force. Given below are some of the facts in the case as received by us."

Then they proceed to state the purpose of the implementing instruction and then say, "No instructions have been sent by the Air Force to the purchasing people in the field variously known as the AFLC item managers or the owning units. In time, instructions will be sent to the AFLC item managers setting up guidelines for field determinations as to what property will be designated for exchange/sale disposal."

Can you give us any information with respect to any proposed instructions as to AFLC item managers setting out guidelines for field determinations on exchange/sale items?

Colonel DAVID. I am not familiar with the letter that you are quoting from, but there is a requirement for the services and DSA to notify them, including inventory managers—these are the people who deal in the wholesale side of supply management—to notify them of the policy and procedures for the execution of the exchange/sale authority, and to notify them of the items which are eligible and those items which are ineligible. To my knowledge, there is a piece of paper at the present time being developed within the Defense Supply Agency to effect coordination among the inventory control managers. Implementing instructions have not been put out as a DOD regulation or instruction at this time, other than the DOD instruction 4160.1, which you are familiar with.