

Mr. WHITENER. You can include that view in the memorandum as to what this would do and what his position would be.

Mr. MOYER. Yes, sir.

Mr. WHITENER. Chief, how many reservists do you have now?

Chief LAYTON. We now have on the roll, Mr. Chairman, 456.

Mr. WHITENER. Administratively do you have a staff or an individual assigned to coordinating the reserve force with the regulars?

Chief LAYTON. Yes. We have one official now in our Special Operations Division. He is assigned there to coordinate the overall work of the reserve corps.

Then in each precinct there is a Metropolitan Police officer who is assigned as a coordinator for the reserve corps in that precinct, and each precinct has reserve corps officials up to the rank of lieutenant.

Mr. WHITENER. If you go into a 700-man reserve program will that not require additional administrative manpower to be utilized?

Chief LAYTON. I do not see a great increase, Mr. Chairman. There might be some increase in the number of reserve officials, sergeants and lieutenants. There might be some small increase in the Metropolitan Police manpower for the administrative end, but I do not see a large increase.

Mr. WHITENER. What about in the area of educational and training programs?

Chief LAYTON. We perhaps will have to increase that somewhat.

We have, of course, been giving training to the members who are now on the rolls, classroom training as well as on the job training.

One of the duties of the coordinator in the precinct is to coordinate the training for the reserve officers, but we probably would want to increase that and it might be necessary to involve some of our training division staff in this.

Mr. WHITENER. Does this cost estimate which you make take into account that type of additional expense which might arise?

Chief LAYTON. No, sir, it does not. We do not view that as a large increase. I think we can absorb this in our present activities, and the dollar cost you have is largely for uniforms and equipment.

Mr. WHITENER. Do you have any impression as to the feeling of the average regular police officer toward the reserve program? Would there be any lessening of morale with your regular forces if you brought in these reserve forces in a more active way or would there be any lessening of efficiency and zeal on the part of the regular forces?

Chief LAYTON. I do not believe so, Mr. Chairman. I am sure that from the standpoint of the officials who frequently are hardpressed to put enough men in uniform on the streets that they welcome the opportunity to have these additional reserve officers available to them.

This program which we have now on a voluntary basis has been in effect since 1950. We have used on many occasions, special occasions, as I previously indicated, reserve corps officers, and they have been used to back up and to take the place of regular police officers which we have had to take out to put on the front lines, so to speak.

In times past we have used not only reserve corps officers but voluntary members of the Fire Department as well as members of the National Guard, so the whole idea of increasing the available manpower