

Mr. Moot. We have a reporting system, Congressman Morton, which is imperfect at the moment and incomplete in coverage. We are feeding the data into our computer here in Washington, and alining the data, and relating the data to get maximum use for both us and the industry. And some of the data that we will be supplying for the record is a result of this computer data processing. But we are still a long way away from the complete data collection and data monitoring system for the industry.

Mr. MORRISON. Are you anxious to employ a complete computer data processing system which will monitor the investments?

Mr. Moot. We are very anxious to. We think it is part of our responsibility. And I have explained this to the industry, that the only way that we can come up to Congress and justify the industry is to be able to explain exactly what is happening as a result of the industry's investment in the small business community. I consider this as one of our primary responsibilities, and have so indicated to the industry.

Mr. MORRISON. I believe that, too, because I think the chairman's question as to what the impact really is was answered as a matter of your judgment, and not as an analysis of criteria. Isn't that correct?

Mr. Moot. I want the Small Business Administration to be able to fully justify this industry and/or recommend modifications in the legislation concerning the industry, based on data collected from the investments made by the small business investment company industry.

Mr. CONTE. Will you yield there?

Mr. MORRISON. Certainly.

Mr. CONTE. Do you have any data processing equipment in your shop now?

Mr. Moot. We have a computer here in Washington, just the one.

Mr. CONTE. Would that be sufficient to handle this?

Mr. Moot. What we do each year is to project our requirement—we are losing equipment—project our requirements for the next 2 years so that we can properly figure the requirements of our hardware. At the present time with the information we are getting we can use the current computer we have.

Mr. CONTE. I sit on the Treasury-Post Office Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee. We have the Bureau of the Budget, the Internal Revenue, and you name it, under that umbrella. There are a lot of computers that aren't being used. There should be greater cooperation among agencies in the Government to utilize these to the fullest extent.

Mr. Moot. Yes. We do work with the General Services Administration, which is charged, as you know, with interagency utilization. And we have over the period of the last year or 2 years had extensive utilization of other computers in the Government.

Mr. CONTE. Thank you.

Mr. MORRISON. I want to deal just for a minute with public information. Recognizing the fact that there is Federal money invested on a matching basis, what is the policy of the SBA as far as SBIC's making available to the public information on their transactions?

Mr. Moot. Congressman, I am not sure that I can accurately cover the freedom of information aspects of the individual SBIC's. With your permission. I would be glad to put an accurate legal answer into