

The purpose of this document is to begin to explain how the FMS will do all the things we want it to do (as explained in the Functional Design which should be read first).

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## 2 TRACKING OF INITIATED, COMMITTED, AND OBLIGATED DATES &amp; AMOUNTS FOR A PR (ICO), 2

## 2a FMS Entities 2a

2a1 Two types of entities are possible: an effort which denotes the sum total of a contractual or in-house unit of work and a PR which is one of the building blocks of a contractual effort, each contract consisting of one or more PRs. 2a1

2a2 An effort is the highest level of data that the FMS is interested in, containing general data like title, engineer's name, job-order-number (jocas number), contractor, etc. Unique identification of an effort is determined by its assigned job-order-number. 2a2

2a3 The next level of detail in the FMS is the PR level which gives specific details about a PR, PR-number, project number, fund source, Obligation amount, etc. A number of PRs may be related to a contract, but each PR may have only one contract. 2a3

2a4 Although the logical design of the database has been worked out (see Database in the Functional Design document), its physical implementation has not yet been worked out. It is expected, though, that the effort information will be entered at level one of the database and PR information will be subsumed beneath that at level two. 2a4

## 2b Entry into system 2b

2b1 An effort can be entered into the FMS's Current Database at any point during its planning cycle as long as the necessary data items can be supplied in one form or another (i.e., Job-order-number, PR-number, Contract Duration, Contract Face Value, Type of Buy, Est Start Date, PR Obligation Amount, Priority and Project Number). Without these items processing of an effort would not be worthwhile, and so its entry would be prohibited. 2b1

2b2 An effort in the planning stage can be entered and then treated as if it were an actual effort (with certain reservations). Typically, PR-numbers and Job-order-numbers are not assigned during the planning stage and the Data Entry

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Center must supply such numbers, prefaced with a 'P' so that the system can recognize that these efforts are only in the planning stage. Before an entry can be made into the FMS database, a check must be made to ensure that if this effort was entered previously as a planned item, the planned item must be deleted in order to avoid duplication.

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2b3 For a new start, paperwork begins with an RADC Form 77, A Program Implementation Request, that shows the initial number of Purchase Requests (PRs) that are being requested for an effort to go out on contract. This form, if properly filled out, furnishes all the essential items for entering an effort into the database except for priority. (Note: a Form 77 must also be submitted for an in-house effort if a job-order-number is to be assigned). As the division moves toward putting all its Form 77s under NLS, the FMS could provide an automatic update program that would jump to the Form 77, strip off the necessary data, message it and then enter it into the database.

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2b4 Even after an effort has been entered in the database and a contract has begun, PRs may still be added to a contractual effort according to job-order-number. There are three cases for this: (1) as a PR initiated for engineering changes (when the scope of the contract is changed), (2) when a PR is submitted as an Add Funds in the case when the original PR does not provide all the funds necessary for the effort and (3) when a contract crosses over into another fiscal year.

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2b5 Although contracts may run a number of years, a PR is good only during the fiscal year it began in. So when a contract crosses a fiscal year, a new PR must be instituted to replace the one that is now finished and this new one is designated as an OIR. The OIR is written before the title name on the Form 77 to show that the contract has not been changed but simply that this PR was submitted to start a new fiscal year and the purpose is to Add Funds Only. PRs that are designated as OIRs are obligated and funds must be set aside to pay for them before anything new can be started. A prime question that will be asked, and which the FMS must be able to answer, is 'how much money is obligated in terms of OIRs for the next fiscal year?' (this is related to Form 30s which should be duplicated).

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## 2c Collection of data

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2c1 Data must be pulled off the Form 77 and collected from some

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other sources in order to enter an effort into the FMS Current Database. Priority must be obtained from the section level (this year there was a planning document that listed each new effort by priority). Contract Face Value for a new effort can be found by summing all the values from all the PRs being applied to the effort (by having the same job-order-number) with the follow-on funding which is also denoted on a Form 77. Est Start Date can be computed from the Work Date on a Form 77 by a lead time depending on the type of procurement (see steps below).

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2c2 These items and the remaining data items can be collected in a pretty straight-forward manner according to the directions given in the Database Description.

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## 2d PR Modifications

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2d1 An engineering change is an admendment to the contract to add work or tasks not in the scope of the original contract. A new Form 77 must be submitted and a new PR is generated to provide the money that covers the cost of this change. The starting date for this PR will probably be when it is obligated and it will last until the end of the fiscal year or till the end of the contract, whichever comes first (Note: as a result of this type of change, a contract might have a new completion date if the contract was extended by the additional tasks). If the PR has not been obligatd yet (in other words these changes were proposd before the initial contract was even signed), the changes can be denoted just by adding a letter description to the existing PR; Change A represents the fist such change, Change B the second, and so on.

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## 2e Relate PRs to contract

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2e1 As described before, PRs are linked to a contract on a many to one basis. The key to this relationship is through job-order-number; all PRs on a contract have the same job-order-number even though different projects may be funding them. The hierarchical filing system of NLS will be used to reflect this arrangement. Information on the contract level of an effort will be stored at level one (e.g. title, engineer, priority, job-order-number, technical completion, and other contract data) while PR information e.g. (PR-number, project, fund source, ICO, etc.) will be subsumed underneath that. For example, if a job-order-number is at statement 1, then the PRs

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related to that job-order-number will be at 1a, 1b, 1c, . . . , so it is necessary to know the job-order-number that a PR is being applied against in order to enter it into the database. 2e1

2e2 Except in the special case of a Program Directive (PD), one PR can be related to only one contract. The special case of a PD will be handled by associating the PR with only one contract number, the one that is submitted to MASIS (the MASIS system is also not set up to handle more than one contract per PR). 2e2

2f Relate PRs to fiscal year 2f

2f1 Case I: 1 PR on a contract, completion within same fiscal year 2f1

2f1a This is obviously the simplest case; a single PR funds a contract that will be over before the end of the fiscal year. The expenditure rate developed for a PR shows the expenditures for the entire contract by itself and the amount of money the PR obligates is equal to the value of the contract. Naturally, there will be only one PR subsumed under the contract. 2f1a

2f2 CASE II: A contract running over fiscal years 2f2

2f2a When a contract crosses a fiscal year boundary, the original PR expires and another PR must be generated to take its place. A new Form 77 must be submitted that automatically gets approved as an OIR at the start of the new fiscal year, and it is this PR which furnishes the money to be spent during the follow-on fiscal year. In this case, the original PR obligates only a part of the total contract value - the amount that is expected to be used during the first fiscal year. Follow-on spending must be computed by subtracting the amount from the original PR from the total cost of the contract, thus, determining the remaining money that needs to be supplied. To show spending over the entire life of the contract, each PR must be saved and their funding must be combined. For example, a contract may be funded at \$70,000 over two years. The original PR puts \$45,000 toward this contract during the current fiscal year. A second PR, an OIR, must be submitted at the end of the fiscal year and is funded at \$25,000 for the follow-on fiscal year. Information from both of them must be combined

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to get a complete picture of what is happening on the contract. The original PR would then be dead but it must be saved for to present a complete picture of the contract,

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2f3 CASE III: Multiple PR's on a contract with completion in the same fiscal year

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2f3a Sometimes money applied toward a contract is submitted via a number of PRs at the same time because the money for the effort is obtained from many different sources. Expenditure rates on each PR must then be combined to determine a single projection for the entire contract. Obligation dates for the PRs must be checked and used to group together PRs from the same fiscal year.

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2f3b Invoices and vouchers, however, are made against the contract independently of the PRs. Money charged is billed against one PR at a time (oldest first) until that PR is exhausted. This makes it impossible to map vouchers back against PRs. When a discrepancy occurs between what is projected and what is actually occurring, there is no way of saying that the expenditure rate for a particular PR is wrong so that adjustments can be made with it.

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2f4 CASE IV: Multiple PRs on a contract running over fiscal years

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2f4a This situation is simply an extension of Cases II and III. A number of different PRs are providing money in the current fiscal year and more will be needed in the next. All of these PRs, whether defunct or active, must be combined to show the complete financial picture of the contract.

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2g PR steps

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2g1 There are something like 21 steps that are used to track the status of a PR through its life cycle, but the FMS is concerned with only 3; ICO standing for Initiation, Commitment and Obligation. Initiation is when a PR is sent out to perspective bidders, Commitment is when responses from these bidders has been received and the best selected, and finally, Obligation is when the contract is signed with this bidder



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after negotiation, There are two values, a date and a money amount, associated with each of these steps, and each value may take two forms, an estimate or a fixed, actual value.

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2g2 The FMS database will carry only one of these values, the estimated Obligation amount. This value will be used to calculate a monthly expenditure rate (MER) which in turn will be used to predict estimated amounts for ICO. The MER will be stored in the database after its calculation by the system. As each step is reached, the actual amount for that step as recorded in the PMS file will be entered into the database.

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2g3 Values for dates will be handled in a similar manner with no entries being entered into the database until the step is actually reached. Working back from the Est Start Date of the contract, estimates can be made for the ICO dates according to the formula that it takes 210 days to go from from a SOW package to contract (Obligation) on an open bid effort and 120 days on a sole source. This is broken down as follows: for an Open Bid allow 1 1/2 months to go from SOW package to Initiation, 4 months to go from Initiation to Commitment, and 1 1/2 months to go from Commitment to Obligation; for a Sole Source allow 1 month to go from SOW package to Initiation, 2 months to go from Initiation to Commitment, and 1 month to go from Commitment to Obligation. These intermediate values will not be entered into the database but will be self-generated by a program module.

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## 2h ICO values

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2h1 The estimated ICO values in our system will not correspond to those that are released by the PMS file. Based on the engineer's estimated starting date, given when the effort is submitted to the system, the dates for Initiation, Commitment, Obligation and even SOW due date can all be computed because experience has shown that there is a fairly certain cycle that must be run in every procurement. This cycle depends on the value for Type of Buy: Open Bid or sole source. Similarly, the early estimate for the cost of the effort will be used as the basis for initiation amount.

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2h2 As the complete SOW/PR package moves through the procurement cycle, these dates can be predicted with greater accuracy. The original estimates will be replaced with actual values; i. e., as an effort gets Initialized, the FMS will substitute its actual value for the early guesses. In fact,

the Initiation value will be used to predict commitment and obligation dates and dollar amounts. Likewise, an actual Commitment date will be used to help generate an Obligation date.

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2h3 The initial algorithms for estimating ICO dates from Est Start Date follows:

Open Bid:

SOW package = Est Start Date = 210  
 Initiation = Est Start Date = 165  
 Commitment = Est Start Date = 45  
 Obligation = Est Start Date

Sole Source:

SOW package = Est Start Date = 120  
 Initiation = Est Start Date = 90  
 Commitment = Est Start Date = 30  
 Obligation = Est Start Date

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2h4 After an PR has actually become initiated or Committed or Obligation, the Est Start Date can be more clearly predicted by reversing the above relationships in the following manner:

Open Bid:

Est Start Date = Initiation + 165  
 Est Start Date = Commitment + 45  
 Est Start Date = Obligation

Sole Source:

Est Start Date = Initiation + 90  
 Est Start Date = Commitment + 30  
 Est Start Date = Obligation

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2i Display ICO information

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2i1 The Command Meta Language will be used to incorporate the FMS as a subsystem under TENEX/NLS. When the Current Database is validated, it will be available for queries of both an ad hoc and an a priori nature. Ad hoc queries for beginners would amount to Process Branch Commands that will extract and display certain information in a rigid way. More advanced users will be able to utilize commands available through the FMS subsystem to retrieve information in a more flexible manner. The view of the data can be modified, of course, by typical NLS commands to achieve the desired effect.

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2i2 The FMS subsystem will allow a Purchase Request to be

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specified by number. Any of the data in the PR record could then be displayed, including both hard data items actually in the Current Database and soft items that are really generated by program from particular items in the database, 212

213 Contract information could also be obtained from the FMS. A summing capability will compute totals of the selected efforts for the projected expenditures and for the actual expenditures. These also could be plotted over a fiscal year. The number of entities that are selected would depend on the view the user wished to see of the database; whether by contract, by project or by division, 213

214 The FMS will be able to present ICO information that is grouped by project or TPO areas. In addition, some graphics capability is anticipated, patterned after the Superwatch plots and/or the blocks of DIAGRAM, 214

## 2j Data Retrieval 2j

2j1 Queries logically fall into two types; when you want to retrieve a specific, single item based on exact criteria or when you need to have the entire database searched and have data elements selected against criteria without knowing how many items will meet the retrieval specifications, 2j1

2j2 Single items that are requested can be retrieved by the Jump to Name command since each statement in the FMS Current Database will have a unique statement name. Statements at level one, the effort or contract level, will have a job-order-number while level two, the PR level, will be prefaced by a PR-number. A user wanting to make this kind of retrieval could be prompted to give the appropriate number which will then be passed as a parameter to a Jump to Name command, 2j2

2j3 The second type of query is more complicated since it would involve checking each entity in the database according to a Content Analyzer Pattern. Some of the more reasonable requests might be pre-canned so that users can access them. However, the others might best be left for users to do themselves via their own Content Analyzer patterns. The most likely queries that should be included as part of the system would be collecting and grouping PRs together on the basis of their 'Project Number' and/or grouping contract efforts

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together based on 'TPO-IDs'. As an item is selected, it might  
be sent to a temporary file to await further processing.

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3 FORECAST EXPENDITURES

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3a Development of expenditure rates

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3a1 To arrive at suitable expenditure rate predictions, we must first define two set functions, one to deal with the term of a PR in months and the other to handle the money that a PR authorizes.

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3a2 If we let D be the set representing the number of active months for a PR (i.e. its duration), remembering that a PR is finished either at the end of the current fiscal year or at the end of the contract (whichever comes first), then we will define a function of D,  $t(D)$ , such that D is broken down into subsets where the expenditure rate is constant for that subset. This gives us a linear rate to work with within that subset, and it also gives us a series of linear rates to work with over the whole set D, i.e. over the entire duration of the PR.

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3a3 Thus, we have

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$$3a3a \quad t(D) = t(1) + t(2) + \dots + t(n)$$

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3a4 where  $t(i)$  equals the number of months in the  $n$ -th term,

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3a5 In an similar fashion, letting M be a set representing the amount of money on a PR (its Obligated amount), then we will define a function of M,  $f(M)$ , such that M is broken down into subsets corresponding to the terms where the expenditure rate is constant. This gives us, then, the amount of money that will be spent linearly over a subset of D.

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3a6 Thus, we have

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$$3a6a \quad f(M) = f(1) + f(2) + \dots + f(n)$$

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3a7 where  $f(i)$  equals the amount of money expected to be spent in the term  $t(i)$ .

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3a8 We can now apply these functions in the following three cases. 3a8

3a9 Case (1) Off the shelf buys 3a9

3a9a The government is obligated for the entire Face Value of the contract the month when the contract is signed. 3a9a

3a9a1  $t(1) = 1$ , and  $t(2) = \#$  months left in fiscal year or in contract (whichever comes first) and. 3a9a1

3a9a2  $f(1) =$  Obligated amount and  $f(2) = 0$ . 3a9a2

3a9a3  $\text{Projection/mo} = f(1) / t(1) =$  Obligated Amount 3a9a3

3a9a3a if  $\text{mo} = 1; = 0$ , elsewhere. 3a9a3a

3a10 Case (2) Linear 3a10

3a10a This rate implies that expenditures will be made at a constant rate over the entire life of the PR. This is the case that will be used for planned efforts. Initially, then: 3a10a

3a10a1  $t(1) = \#$  months left in fiscal year or in contract (whichever comes first) and 3a10a1

3a10a2  $f(1) =$  Obligated amount. 3a10a2

3a10a3  $\text{Projection/mo} = f(1) / t(1)$  3a10a3

3a11 Case (3) Series 3a11

3a11a This expenditure rate covers the case where the projection of expenditures can't be done in a completely linear fashion. (Actually, Off the Shelf Buys and Linear expenditures are just special cases of this last, most general situation.) The projected expenditure for any particular month  $p$  can be computed as follows: 3a11a

3a11a1 calculate that the month( $p$ ) belongs to the  $n$ -th term, then 3a11a1

3a11a2  $\text{Projection} / \text{month}(p) = f(n) / t(n)$ . 3a11a2

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## 3b Project spending

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3b1 At the beginning of the procurement cycle, all expenditures can be assumed to be LINEAR with little loss of accuracy. For each PR submitted under an effort, a monthly expenditure rate must be established (MER). This factor will be generated by the software, dependent upon the 'Est Start Date' of the PR and its value. The 'Duration' of the PR is computed to be the time from PR start (obligation date) to either the end of the fiscal year, or the end of the contract, whichever comes first.

$MER = PR \text{ Value} / PR \text{ Duration}$   
 & PR Exp for FY = Duration x MER  
 & Exp for month m = (month m - Est Start Date) x MER,  
 This item will be stored in the database and remain constant unless there is a modification to the PR or until Obligation occurs,

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3b1a The end of contract can be computed by adding the Contract Duration to the Obligation Date of the lead PR on the contract. The lead PR would have Type Buy equal to a New Start and would have the earliest obligation date for any PR on the contract,

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3b2 Using the above data items, projections can now be made for any PR in the database, on a month by month basis, to the end of the fiscal year or completion of contract, whichever comes first. For example, if a PR begins in January and runs until June and its MER = \$10K/month, then

PR Exp for Jan = 1 month x \$10K/month = \$10K  
 & PR Exp for Feb = 2 month x \$10K/month = \$20K

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 PR Exp for June = 6 month x \$10K/month = \$60K.

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## 3c Follow-on funding

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3c1 Follow-on funding will be entirely program generated. By including the Contract Face Value as a data item under an effort, the FMS can add the money expended or due to be spent by all PRs, dead and active. Subtracting this sum from the contract's value gives the amount of money that remains to be spent on the contract. A finer breakout can be made by applying an expenditure rate function based on the duration of the contract to this money to give an estimate on how this money will be spread over the next fiscal years,

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3c2 Active PRs belonging to the same Job-order-number can be combined to show total spending on the contract for the fiscal year. When this subtotal is subtracted from the 'Total Cost of the Effort', the FMS can determine the amount of spending that will show up as follow-ons. The remaining number of months on the effort can be computed by subtracting the duration of the earliest PR on the effort from the 'Duration' of the effort. A follow-on monthly expenditure rate (FMER) can then be computed for follow-on funding by

$$\text{FMER} = \frac{\text{Remaining Contract Value}}{\text{Remaining Duration}}$$
 This FMER will then be used to project expenditures over future fiscal years as needed and shall be able to help estimate funds to be obligated in terms of OIRS for the next FY.

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## 3d Exception reporting

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3d1 The FMS should have programs that routinely search the database for due dates on a weekly or monthly basis. For example, if a PR is due to become initiated during the week that the program is run, it should be flagged and two messages should be sent out. One would go to the Data Entry Center warning them to be on the look-out for this event and to make sure that it is recorded when it happens. The other message would remind the project engineer that the event is due, and in this case, if it is missed, that he must revise his Est Start Date.

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## 3e Variance Analysis (early diagnosis)

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3e1 It will be possible to compare the actual expenditures collected by contract with the projected expenditures summed over all the PRs making up that contract. Variance analysis can then be performed on that data and warning flags can be set if the two figures begin differing by more than a set amount (say 5%), and the engineer can be notified to check that things are really proceeding according to plan. If they are, the expenditure rate function needs to be updated or fine-tuned; if not, action can be taken as early as possible to determine what the trouble may be.

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## 4 EFFORT SIMULATION \* THE DYNAMIC SYSTEM

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## 4a Compute projections in a temporary (soft) mode

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4a1 Any of the programs or commands in the system will be available for use, where appropriate, in the Dynamic System. The Dynamic System is intended to give management a way of testing theories against real data and seeing the impact that a decision might have. The way that this will happen is to have a change in the database implemented in a temporary mode. Projections and calculations can then be generated to show the impact that a change in one or more efforts will have against other efforts (the rippling effect). All the time the programs will be working against a "doctored" database which will probably be just a partial copy of the Current Database and none of the results will be considered official. After reports have been generated and disseminated, the partial copy shall be deleted. Permanent changes can be incorporated only through official forms.

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## 4b Adjust starting dates (forward or backward)

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4b1 The "Est Starting Date" from one or more efforts identified in the database can be changed, i.e. moved forward or slid backward. This change will temporarily replace the actual data values with a proposed simulation value. Any programs run against this particular item will use the new but temporary value rather than the permanent, official one.

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## 4c Change the rate of expenditure

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4c1 A contract or PR may be adjusted so that the rate of expenditure can be slowed down or increased. To slow it down, the total length of the contract may be lengthened and this will automatically cause an adjustment in the expenditure rates, making it slower. Another way to accomplish a similar thing will be to juggle money so that most of it will be spent later in the contract instead of in the first months without changing the contract length. This will involve postponing when the money will be spent. If desired, these types of actions can be repeated in an opposite way to increase spending.

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4d Delete or add new efforts

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4d1 In the same way that an individual data item can be changed, an entire effort can be deleted from the system or a new one can be added. A deleted effort will be masked so that system programs ignore it; while at the same time, they might be including a new one.

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4e Save computations in the journal

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4e1 Once this view into the future has been accomplished, a record of the calculations made and results obtained could be saved for the record in the journal system. If the results are considered good, paperwork would need to be started to make the changes official and they will be incorporated into the database when the forms are processed. The Dynamic Subsystem could print special reports as an aid in starting paperwork.

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Re: NDM's <32832,> Experimental Sort Command

JMB 27-JUN-75 15:14 32848

1 Is the command intended to eventually replace the sort keys? The only (ARC-guaranteed) sort key not replaced is sortnmskp; do you intend to add that eventually?

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JMB 27-JUN-75 15:14 32848

Re: NDM's <32832,> Experimental Sort Command

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Distribution: /NDM( [ ACTION ] ) JHB( [ ACTION ] ) ; Sub-Collections:  
SRI=ARC; Clerk: JMB;

Milestone

1 Today the CLI successfully invoked a procedure in the NLS Backend via DPS.

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Milestone

(J32851) 27-JUN-75 16:26;;; Title: Author(s): Charles H. Irby,  
David S. Maynard, James E. (Jim) White/CHI DSM JEW; Distribution:  
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Thanking JCN and BOBM for their help with MIKE's MAY15,NLS;12 problems,

- 1 When I last saw this file, it had 8 (eight) statements at the 5A1 level, with several pages of printed text "below" each statement. 1
- 2 The statements were labeled: 2
- 2a Entertainment-on-Demand 2a
  - 2b Demand-Education Service 2b
  - 2c Household Information and Dedicated News 2c
  - 2d Shopping and Purchasing from the Home 2d
  - 2e Remote Banking Service 2e
  - 2f Remote Work Center 2f
  - 2g Remote Medical Diagnosis 2g
  - 2h Remote Political Participation 2h
- 3 The versions of the files that you (JCN, BOBM) have managed to restore or recompose are missing the last two branches, plus other information that I scattered throughout the file while building those two branches (building them with original thought plus copied statements from a couple of other files). 3
- 4 I have looked for the contents of these branches in other files in my directory, and can't locate them, 4
- 5 I guess that they're gone for good; that is, I'm calling off the dogsearch party; no "real" damage done, since I had a hard copy of the file made the weekend before it "went bad", but in the future I will give a lot more credence to folks like Phil Weintraub of our group who complains from time to time that parts of his file "just disappeared", 5
- 6 Thank you both very much for your help in trying to piece this puzzle together. In 99 cases out of 100, I'm sure the results would have been completely successful. 6

MIKE 27-JUN-75 19:03 32852

Thanking JCN and BOBM for their help with MIKE's MAY15,NLS;12  
Problems,

(J32852) 27-JUN-75 19:03;;; Title: Author(s): Michael T.  
Bedford/MIKE; Distribution: /JCN( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) BOBM( [ INFO-ONLY ] )  
LHD( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) IMM( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) PIW( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ;  
Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: MIKE;

1 32852 distribution

1a James C. Norton, Robert L. Martinez, Lawrence H. Day, Inez M.  
Mattiuz, Phil I. Weintraub,

Journal demo

1 This is a demonstration for our viewers illustrating prompts of the Interrogate command in the Sendmail subsystem

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Journal demo

(J32853) 28-JUN-75 12:53;;; Title: Author(s): Inez M. Mattiuz/IMM;  
Distribution: /IMM( [ ACTION ] ) LHD( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) MTB( [ INFO-ONLY ]  
); Sub-Collections: BELL=CANADA; Clerk: IMM;

filter system for STALOG

STALOG: The attached system should meet your needs, it consists of a L10 user program template with a statement called USERPATTERN which you replace with your desired contents analyzer pattern, Then a Process commands branch which will compile and institute the filter for you and return you to BASE, There is already a copy in your file called PRINTFILTER for your use,

Déan: Sgt Zerwas asked me to thank you for the program you pointed him at, but he apparently didn't communicate exactly what he wanted, and the program you gave him didn't quite fill the bill. He also said to hassle you a bit about 'Commenting liberally' which you didn't in that one

Jim: This was my first L10 program, and believe it or not, it compiled and ran right the first time, I am now sold on the language, I wish I could say the same for Process Commands, It took me almost an hour to find out that a space between the program name and the <Q> was causing the Institute command to fail,

filter system for STALOG

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1 PROGRAM brnchmtch %Contents Analyzer, Prints Module header (2nd
level stmt) if contents match succeeds on its module description
(first 3rd level substatement). If viewspecs allow printing to the
third level, also shows module description. This program is actually
a template: to use it, replace the statement named USERPATTERN
(1c3cia) with your desired contents analyzer pattern, then"<>Process
Statement 2<CR>", comments, problems to LAC%
1
1a DECLARE switch = FALSE, level=0; 1a
1b DECLARE TEXT POINTER 1b
1b1 ptrhdr %points to module header%, 1b1
1b2 ptrinfo %points to module description%; 1b2
1c (brnchmtch) PROCEDURE; 1c
1c1 FIND "ptrhdr "ptrinfo % initialize pointers%; 1c1
1c2 level_getlev(ptrhdr) %find current level%; 1c2
1c3 CASE level OF 1c3
1c3a =0:RETURN(TRUE) %Prints origin statement if
encountered%; 1c3a
1c3b =1:RETURN(TRUE) %prints process titles if encountered%; 1c3b
1c3c =2: IF (ptrinfo_getsub(ptrhdr))#ptrhdr %check for
substatement, setting ptrinfo to it if so% 1c3c
1c3c1 AND FIND ptrinfo %set scan into substatements 1c3c1
1c3cia USERPATTERN %replace this statement by your
desired contents analyzer pattern% 1c3cia
1c3c2 THEN BEGIN 1c3c2
1c3c2a switch_true %setting switch will cause
substatement to be printed if it is presented to the
filter%; 1c3c2a
1c3c2b FIND ptrhdr %return control pointer to the
header statement%; 1c3c2b
1c3c2c RETURN(TRUE) %and return a print indication% 1c3c2c
1c3c2d END 1c3c2d

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1c3c3 ELSE %if the substatement did not match the desired
pattern %RETURN(switch_FALSE)%clear the switch and return
a dont print indication%;

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1c3c3

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1c3d =3: IF (switch:=FALSE) THEN RETURN(TRUE) ELSE
RETURN(FALSE) %teststhen resets switch, if it was set, the
header of this statement was printed, and the substatement
will be also. otherwise a non-printing return is initiated%;

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1c3d

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1c3e ENDCASE RETURN(FALSE) %on all other conditions%;

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1c3e

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1d END, %of procedure and% FINISH%program%

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1d

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2 set viewspecs wj
go programs
compile 110 1
institute program brnch%tch Content
quit to base
del modifications
;the pattern you specified has now been compiled and instituted as
your current filter. Print your desired STRUCTURE(s) with viewspec
"i" to turn on the filter, "xsb"to see only headers, "xsbb"to see
module descriptions also

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filter system for STALOG

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Crain/LAC; Distribution: /FFL( [ ACTION ] ) NDM( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) JHB( [  
INFO-ONLY ] ) JCN( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: LAC;  
Origin: < AFSDC, BRANCH=PRINTER,NLS;16, >, 29-JUN-75 18:43 LAC  
;;;####;

Connection for NCSL

1 Paul:

How are things out there?

We got the go ahead for you to connect to Eglin AFB rather than RML.

Frank and I will be staying at the Holiday Inn in Monterrey.

I go the position of NALCON coordinator.

See you soon

Regards

Larry.

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Connection for NCSL

(J32868) 30-JUN-75 04:29;;; Title: Author(s): I. Larry  
Avrunin/ILA; Distribution: /PCB( [ ACTION ] ) FGB( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ;  
Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: ILA;

Answer to j32845

1 Ray, if I understand your question correctly -- no, I don't think it should print the files themselves; it should only list the needed info about the files. My understanding of the branch is that it's a short-cut to checking the status of your active files, a doohinkus to be used instead of the show directory command plus a mess of commonly needed options.

Thanks for thinking about it...Don't use up a mess of time on it, though; after all, we lazy slob out in the boonies of the TNLS world can still use the options with "show directory."

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DAP 30-JUN-75 07:48 32871

Answer to j32845

(J32871) 30-JUN-75 07:48;;; Title: Author(s): David A. Potter/DAP;  
Distribution: /RA3Y( [ ACTION ] ) ; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: DAP;

Times in the use statistics

1 times are expressed in hours and decimal fractions of hours, not hours and minutes. I'll take a closer look at the otherweek that you suspect is off.

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Times in the use statistics

(J32872) 30-JUN-75 08:31;;; Title: Author(s): Raymond R.  
Panko/RA3Y; Distribution: /MEJ( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Sub-Collections:  
SRI-ARC; Clerk: RA3Y;

## D and F status and funding

1 This file shows the status and funding for the d & f's for 5550 as I see it here. The funding will be shown in \$K for fy76, fy77, and fy78 in order. 1

2 76-1-5550 HQL control Facility 2

2a status: USAF review 2a

2b funding: 340 230 505 125 2b

3 76-2-5550 Modern Programming Technology Demonstration 3

3a status: USAF review 3a

3b funding: 500 125 375 3b

4 76-3-5550 WWMCCS Programming Support Library 4

4a status: approved 4a

4b funding: 200 60 90 4b

5 JOVIAL/J-73 Compiler 5

5a status: in preparation 5a

5b funding: 150 150 600 200 5b

6 Software Data Repository 6

6a status: in preparation 6a

6b funding: 25 75 600 ? 6b

7 Presently estimated for fy77 D & F's: \$1800k 7

8 Exempt from D & F: 2745 560 3030 8

8a This includes \$500k for the Army's AHCS program in fy77. 8a

9 Total: 3960 1200 7000 9

9a These are the President's Budget figures and will probably change when congress gets through with us. 9a



D and F status and funding

(J32873) 30-JUN-75 08:31;;; Title: Author(s): William W.  
Patterson/WWP2; Distribution: /RBP( [ ACTION ] ); Sub-Collections:  
NIC; Clerk: WWP2; Origin: < PATTERSON, DANDF,NLS;1, >, 30-JUN-75  
08:27 WWP2 ;;;;####;

BRIEF GUIDE TO USER PROGRAMS AVAILABLE IN NLS-8

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A BRIEF GUIDE TO USER PROGRAMS AVAILABLE IN NLS-8

A new user programs subsystem has been brought up at Office-1. It is called LETTER and replaces the former runnable program, Letter. A description of the new LETTER and all other user attachable programs is contained in this document which replaces the earlier document of the same name. The new Guide will be available in hardcopy from FEEDBACK and online in the directory USERGUIDES (as well as via the Journal).

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3 The following is a brief description of generally available user programs and their commands (intended for users at NLS course level 3--intermediate). These are programs supported and maintained by ARC staff; they are compiled files stored in directory PROGRAMS. Use the Help command for command syntax, detailed descriptions of commands, helpful hints for using various program features, and trouble shooting. If you have difficulty with any of these programs, send a message to FEEDBACK,

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4 USER-SUBSYSTEMS

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4a Loading any of the programs listed below will add a user-subsystem to NLS; that is, each of these programs becomes a subsystem containing its own set of commands. You will first Load the program in the Programs subsystem, which will automatically attach the new subsystem; you will then Goto the new subsystem. Use these commands: Execute (command in) Programs, Load Program XXX, Goto (subsystem) XXX. After you once load the program for a subsystem during an NLS session, you need only Goto it each time you wish to use its commands,

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4b Example of the sequence of commands:

4b

4b1 Execute (command in) Programs  
Load Program MODIFY OK  
Goto (subsystem) Modify OK  
Delete Leading (spaces in) Branch (at) DESTINATION OK

[To return to BASE:]  
Quit OK

[After doing some commands in BASE, to return to MODIFY:]  
Goto (subsystem) Modify OK

4b1

4c 1. Format:

The user-subsystem "Format" provides tools to help you work with Output Processor directives. (See the "Output Processor Users Guide," available by request from FEEDBACK, for a complete listing of directives.) Format also enables you to quickly apply some predesigned formats to files without having to work with Output Processor directives themselves. To see samples of the results of Output Printing with the standard formats available, request the "Format Library" document from FEEDBACK. These are the commands available:

4c

4c1 > The Format command "Delete (Directives)" removes all of the Output Processor directives in the STRUCTURE you specify. 4c1

4c2 > The Format command "Insert Format (in file)" adds to a file the directives and any special characters necessary to produce a given predesigned format. The available formats were designed especially for Computer Output to Microfilm (COM), though most of them will print sensibly on a non-COM printer. The intent is to make it very easy for users less experienced with the Output Processor to take advantage of COM's capabilities. In the Insert command, you will first point to the file. The choice of formats is then listed, you type the number of the desired format (refer to the printed samples listed in "Format Library"). You may also supply a title and authors. 4c2

4c2a The program may insert directives in the origin statement, in every top-level statement, and in some cases in the statement back from every top-level statement. It also creates a title page as the last top-level branch in the file. The title, authors, and Journal number appear in the title page and in some cases in header or footer directives in the origin statement. To produce the formatted copy, you then need to use one of the Output commands in BASE. 4c2a

4c3 > The Format command "Set Directive (filter)" sets your current content-analyzer filter to one which shows only statements containing Output Processor directives. You may then use viewspec i to turn the filter on, and viewspec j to turn it off (show everything). 4c3

4c4 > The Format command "Reset Directive (filter)" sets your current content-analyzer filter to what it was before the Set Directive command. This only works for one window in DNLS (be careful if you have inserted an edge). 4c4

#### 4d 2. Message:

The user-subsystem "Message" allows you to use NLS to handle TENEX SNDMSGs. These are the commands available: 4d

4d1 > The Message command "Copy Message (file)" will copy your MESSAGE.TXT file to the DESTINATION you indicate. It changes the format of the messages for easy handling in NLS. 4d1

4d2 > The Message command "Move Message (file)" will copy your MESSAGE.TXT file to the DESTINATION you indicate, and then delete the MESSAGE.TXT file. It changes the format of the

- messages for easy handling in NLS. A Tenex work file should contain a copy of your messages in case something goes wrong. 4d2
- 4d3 > The Message command "Send Message" allows you to send a TENEX SNDMSG while in NLS. Either the message can be typed in, or a previously created STRUCTURE may be addressed. Either idents or usernames may be used in the distribution list. 4d3
- 4d4 > The Message command "Sort Message (Plex)" orders a plex of messages you've moved or copied into NLS by date--most recent first. 4d4
- 4d5 > The Message command "Reformat (citations)" will reformat your NLS Sendmail citations to correspond with the way message's "Copy" and "Move" commands reformat SNDMSGs, including date of receipt and the distribution list if possible (if a message has just been delivered, it may not yet be catalogued so the distribution list won't be available). 4d5
- 4e 3. Modify:  
The commands in the user-subsystem "Modify" are extensions of these editing commands in the BASE subsystem: Append, Delete, Insert and Force. These are the commands available: 4e
- 4e1 > The Modify command "Append" will append all of the highest-level statements in the Group or Plex you specify to one another successively. If any of these statements have sub-statements, the sub-statements will be placed together in order under the new single statement. When the accumulated statements reach the maximum size (2000 characters), a new statement will begin. 4e1
- 4e2 > The Modify command "Delete Column" will delete the text between the two points you specify in that line. It will repeat this in the corresponding lines of all statements in the plex of the same level as the statement pointed to; other lines in those statements will not be edited. 4e2
- 4e3 > The Modify command "Delete Visible" will delete the text between the two points you specify in that line, only if the first character of the column begins a visible. It will repeat this in the corresponding lines (where the condition is met) of all statements in the plex of the same level as the statement pointed to; other lines in those statements will not be edited. 4e3
- 4e4 > The Modify command "Delete Leading (spaces)" will delete all the spaces that begin all statements in the STRUCTURE you specify. 4e4

4e5 > The Modify command "Delete Names" will delete statement names. 4e5

4e6 > The Modify command "Force (Sentence Case)" will change statements currently all in uppercase to be in lowercase, leaving uppercase characters at the beginning of the statement and following the spaces after a period, questionmark, or exclamation point (usually the first character of each sentence). 4e6

4e7 > The Modify commands "Insert Front" and "Insert Back" augment the BASE subsystem's Insert command. They add the characters you specify to the beginning (Insert Front) or end (Insert Back) of every statement in the STRUCTURE you specify. 4e7

4e8 > The Modify command "Insert Address" inserts the U.S. Postal Address after the DESTINATION you point to for any IDENT you specify. 4e8

#### 4f 4, Publish:

The user-subsystem "Publish" enables you to automatically generate a Table of Contents, to generate References out of links to Journal items found in the file, or to generate an Index keyed to statement numbers. You can also count "words". These are the commands available: 4f

4f1 > The Publish command "Count (visibles)" will total the number of visibles in the STRUCTURE you specify. 4f1

4f2 > The Publish command "Generate Table (Of Contents)" asks you to specify a file and the number of levels of depth you wish included in the table that will be generated. The new table of contents branch is added as the first top-level branch. The table of contents does not cite pages, it cites statement numbers. Therefore, the body of the formatted version should have statement numbers printed for the table to be useful to the reader. You will not want the statement numbers printed in the table of contents section. 4f2

4f3 > The Publish command "Generate References" asks you to specify a file and to specify the number of the reference format you wish to use. The file you specify is searched for links to journal items. When one is found, catalog indexes are searched for the reference information. Available formats of references are: 4f3

4f3a 0 (Ref12345) Author, "Title", DATE. [Cited in 1A2B:(JOURNAL, 12345,)] 4f3a

4f3b 1 (12345,) Author, Title, Augmentation Research Center, Stanford Research Institute, Menlo Park, California 94025. DATE.

4f3b

4f3c 2 (1A2B) Author, Title, Augmentation Research Center, Stanford Research Institute, Menlo Park, California 94025. DATE (JOURNAL, 12345,)

4f3c

4f4 > The Publish command "Index" invokes an experimental program that creates a word index for a statement, branch, group, or plex. It inserts the Index as a branch at the same level at the end of a group or plex, down from a statement, or at the end of the plex down from a branch. It filters according to viewspecs (that is, only the statements that are not clipped by level viewspecs or filtered by the content analyzer are indexed). This program is slow, and creates a large index. It will only work on very small chunks of files (100 statements or so). The index may have to be hand edited after creation to shorten it. It excludes all words ending with "ly", all numbers, all words of one or two characters, and all words in a list located at <programs,publish,a>. Send candidates for the exclusion list to FEEDBACK.

4f4

4g 5. Letter:

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4g1 > The Letter user-subsystem command "Insert Format (in file)" inserts directives to format your file as a business letter. You must have written only the body of the letter as a file. All other information should be entered only when prompted for it. ANY Output Processor directives you have in the file may distort the outcome of those this command will insert. In response to questions asked in this command, you have the option of supplying a pre-assigned journal number or of typing <CTRL-N> to omit the journal header; you have the option of supplying a title or of typing <CTRL-N> to omit a title header. To produce the formatted hardcopy, follow this command with the Output Printer, Output Terminal, or Output Remote command in BASE.

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4h This brief guide will be updated in the near future to include additional user program subsystems and improvements as they are warranted.

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5 TITLE PAGE



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Announcement: Dirk van Nouhuys leaving ARC to become DDPCS Community  
Nucleator

1 On 1 July, Dirk will leave ARC and move downstairs to the Information Systems Group, headed by Norm Nielsen (in Dave Brown's Information Science Lab). This heralds the long-awaited, explicit launching of the first special-interest community (SIC) within the larger AKW applications and development community. Dirk will join forces with Tom Humphrey, Pat Whiting-O'Keefe, Jack Bialick, and others in that group who have had extensive applied-systems experience with computers and document production; Dirk's role will be to promote the overlap of interests and capabilities of this group with those of ARC toward building the AKW area of "Document Development, Production and Control Systems" (DDPCS). 1

2 Dirk has worked long and productively in ARC, and we'll miss his daily presence. If things progress as hoped, we'll be working closely with him and his new colleagues; their efforts could (hopefully) develop an active, many-participant community engaged in serious evolution and application of DDPC systems. 2

3 This move represents a step in Dirk's professional development that he and I have planned toward for several years. He was hired as a technical writer, he has strong qualifications and continued interest in technical documentation. I very much appreciate his sticking it out with us until the opportunity developed to bring together what we've gotten going in our AKW world with the DDPC needs of the user world. 3

4 Good luck, Dirk. 4

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- 1 Background 1
- 1a Technological Forecasting 1a
- 1a1 early BPG Delphi studies determined what will be AVAILABLE 1a1
- 1a2 Some quotes from internal and external Business Delphi studies on communications technology in the home, with particular reference to Household information and dedicated news: 1a2
- 1a2a "This requires the development of data communications facilities vastly superior to those available today. The necessary technologies - digital transmission and packet switching - are available but have not yet been exploited to yield the necessary improved reliability and cost reductions." 1a2a
- 1a2b "The conservative nature of Canadians, plus the relatively sparse population will make this advancement economically unfeasible in the near future. This requires the mass development of easy access mini computers with large capacity and links to large computers". 1a2b
- 1a2c "There is a certain "with it" group composed of many kinds of technically sophisticated people who will provide the initial 20% thrust quite rapidly. Also, they have the income. Achieving the 55% figure will take a good deal longer." 1a2c
- 1a2d "This requires a very unified and systematic approach to the redesign of many of these activities - the technology will be of secondary importance. The primary developments will be in the changing of our attitudes towards these "institutions" and justifying that changes in these areas are valuable and worthwhile. These will not happen merely because we have the hardware to do it." 1a2d
- 1a2e " I do not feel that these types of applications will convince the consumers to part with a significant expenditure of his resources. All of the above type applications have very cheap alternatives which will make this a tough market to crack. Future technology in the home will depend upon applications development, not technological concerns." 1a2e
- 1a2f "On-line data files and economical terminals will provide the means. Urban congestion and transportation failures will produce the need." 1a2f

1a3 Further comments from the Business Delphi, with reference to remote work centers:

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1a3a "If the movement to the suburbs continues, geographic dispersal of employees is liable to become so great that the neighborhood concept will be bypassed in favor of [home work centers]. The short term trend of office movement to suburbs, then personnel relocating close-by, extends the preactical life of the office center concept."

1a3a

1a3b "There will always be high capital cost equipment which can only be located in a work center and shared by many people. At the present time we cannot forecast what this equipment will be, but if we learn anything from history, it is that such equipment will be sufficiently desirable that most people will prefer some variation on the centralized work area concept. I am not ruling out increase mobility (eg, ortable computer terminals) but I am saying the worker will have a home base and it will be an office work center."

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1b Market Demand Analysis

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1b1 MTB thesis, plus info from external sources indicated what would be desired, accepted by the market

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1c Technology Assessment required to determine the impacts the services would have if introduced on a widespread basis.

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2 Determination of Impacts to Be Investigated	2
2a how were the specific impact areas identified ?	2a
2b What specific impacts were studied ?	2b
2b1 Time Allocation	2b1
2b1a amount of leisure time available	2b1a
2b1b time spent at home	2b1b
2b1c similarity between work and recreation	2b1c
2b2 Privacy	2b2
2b2a amount sent on maintaining privacy	2b2a
2b2b impact of a breakdown in privacy or security	2b2b
2b3 interpersonal relations	2b3
2b3a amount of time spent with previous acquaintances, old friends, etc.	2b3a
2b3b amount of time spent with new friends, meeting new people, etc.	2b3b
2b3c increasing/decreasing formality of relationships	2b3c
2b4 dependence on technology.	2b4



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- 3 Methodology 3
- 3a (most of this can be lifted from the study proposal) 3a
- 3b summary of an early memo to PIW re SPRITE: 3b
- 3b1 Background 3b1
- 3b1a The Delphi technique has been around for over a decade and has served a number of research institutions in this period. It's original application was in technological forecasting for the United States Department of Defense (in a study conducted by the Rand Corporation). The Business Planning Group's initial experience with the technique was also in the field of technological forecasting. In 1970 it became clear that in order to adequately forecast and understand the demand for different types of communications services in the future, we would have to become familiar with the technological capabilities that would make those services possible. Accordingly, we launched on a three year program in technological forecasting. Technologies included were those relevant to the educational field, the medical profession, and the field of business information processing. 3b1a
- 3b1b In addition to applying the Delphi technique to these particular issues, we also spent a great deal of energy in gathering material about the technique itself, and in analyzing our use of the technique. We set up control groups (internal panelists answering similar questionnaires, etc.) to learn more about how the technique was actually performing. This work was carried out at the same time that the original developers of the Delphi technique were beginning to have doubts about its widespread applicability to different situations. A cloud had indeed appeared on the previously clear horizon of Delphi research. 3b1b
- 3b2 Limitations of the Delphi technique 3b2
- 3c The process of technology assessment attempts to determine what the consequences (both favorable and unfavorable) of the introduction of these types of services may be. There are a number of different "impact areas" to be explored and developed, and for this purpose, the SPRITE technique seems ideally suited. The SPRITE teams participating in the current study include representatives from these six groups: 3c
- 3c1 housewives 3c1

3c2 students	3c2
3c3 consumerists	3c3
3c4 educators	3c4
3c5 welfare workers	3c5
3c6 communications researchers	3c6
3d Comments from Round 2 about the different SPRITE groups in this study:	3d
3d1 (904-213-06) I don't understand the housewife reaction since the research shows the housewife has major concern over crime.	3d1
3d2 (700-203-00) Students probably a healthier group because of lower age,	3d2
3d3 (700-115-00) Judging from the comments, there appear to be serious difficulties in establishing a remote diagnosis service and make it work. There seem to be quite a gap between the researchers (or technologists) and the other groups.	3d3
3d4 (006-109-00) (f) Researcher is "catching on" to the effects of media, whereas educator remains motivated somnambulist.	3d4
3d5 (001-109-00) (a) Educators obsessed with "program content" fail to anticipate psychic effects of new medium unconsciously recognized and indicated by consumer preference.	3d5
3d6 (001-111-02) The educators are more middle-brow or lazy.	3d6
3d7 (001-201-50) More selective demand by educators?	3d7
3d8 (001-203-02) Perhaps your "educator" group is an ETO group predominantly?	3d8
3d9 (001-203-03) Perhaps for "consumers" part of the fun in seeing a movie at a theatre is going out,	3d9
3d10 (000-205-04) Also some groups seem to be "city (big!) oriented" (again Welfare workers and students).	3d10

- 4 USE of the Different Services 4
- 4a Entertainment-on-Demand 4a
  - 4a1 1973 Demand Analysis: 4a1
    - 4a1a rated "very important" to "moderately important" by over 75% of respondents in first study 4a1a
    - 4a1b the comments were both PRO ( the researchers) and CON (housewives), with the housewives asking questions 4a1b
    - 4a1c over 50% saw is as a large improvement over current alternatives 4a1c
  - 4a2 It would naturally tend to substitute for a lot of other entertainment pasttimes: 4a2
    - 4a2a most heavy substitution for motion pictures (10% - 15%) and broadcast television ( 15% ) 4a2a
    - 4a2b less than 5% substitution for recreational reading, spectator and participation sports ( 0% ) 4a2b
    - 4a2c fairly wide range of answers for live entertainment (drama, ballet, opera,) and for movies (mentioned above). 4a2c
      - 4a2c1 clear trend is toward substitution in areas which wouldn't get the viewer out of the house anyway. 4a2c1
  - 4a3 Not too much agreement on the importance of "high quality" (what is it?) to the success of the service, ... 4a3
    - 4a3a Round 1 Consumerist: Given the fact that taste to date has virtually no relevance to what is programmed, the North American homo sapiens must be totally immune by now. 4a3a
    - 4a3b (002-110-00) Quality need not be higher but certainly more tailored to specific audiences for specific 4a3b
    - 4a3c (002-115-00) I presume you are referring to quality of content, in which case the degree of quality will be dictated eventually by the tastes of the buyers unless there is control from a regulatory body. Quality however is not necessarily incompatible with mass audience. 4a3c
    - 4a3d (002-141-00) "Quality" is too emotional a phrase. I think that these systems will create a more experimental

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- type of viewing. This will include both "X-rated trash" and "high-brow" material, depending upon the current attitude of the viewer. Hence, all forms of entertainment will gain wider audience. 4a3d
- 4a4 ...But very strong agreement on the need for a wide variety of programming (The comments echoed this point well.) 4a4
- 4a4a (002-109-00) Variety is the spice of all media - unlimited variety of programs, and many modes of presentation, available upon demand at users convenience. 4a4a
- 4a4b (002-305-00) I wonder if it really is a 2-edged problem. The description calls for wide variety. This should appeal to any taste. To have any market at all it will have to be an alternative to T.V. as now available. In effect massiveness of the market is achieved by hitting users with a flexibility that TV cannot achieve, thus expanding numbers. The question of "trash" is probably more difficult in that many will object to the kids dialing up porno. 4a4b
- 4a5 Indications that it would be found in 25% - 75% of N.A. homes by 1985. 4a5
- 4a6 Two opposite views of how service might cover costs of a wide variety of programming: 4a6
- 4a6a Will each individual piece of software programming have to pay its own way, or would popular (in a mass audience sense) programs subsidize the less popular items? 4a6a
- 4a6b (002-101-00) Main point is that a market mechanism will exist which will allow each user group to obtain what they want and are willing to pay for. So each group may define its own quality dimension. 4a6b
- 4a6c (002-113-00) Accept the concept of cross-subsidy, just like libraries, where good books are stored for small numbers of readers whereas "popular" books may be on loan all the time, let popular programs subsidize the "high brow" programs. 4a6c
- 4a7 on the distinction between the medium and the content itself: 4a7
- 4a7a (000-109-00) The system designers and questionnaire participants alike are obsessed with the programs and ignore the effects of the media as such. 4a7a

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4a7b (001-109-00) (a) Educators obsessed with "program content" fail to anticipate psychic effects of new mdium unconsciously recognized and indicated by consumer preference.

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4a7c (006-109-00) (f) Researcher is "catching on" to the effects of media, whereas educator remains motivated somnambulist.

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- 4b Demand Education 4b
- 4b1 1973 Demand Analysis: 4b1
- 4b1a over 50% saw it as extremely useful for ages 14-18, 18-25. 4b1a
- 4b1b about 75% saw it as "very" to "moderately" important 4b1b
- 4b1c about 90% saw it as a major improvement to current alternatives 4b1c
- 4b2 Pretty close agreement that by 1985, between 25% and 50% of a student's out-of-school study time would be spent interacting with services of this kind. 4b2
- 4b3 Less agreement with respect to the level of integration with lessons given in local schools (25% - 75% of services programming would be integrated). 4b3
- 4b4 Strong agreement that this capability would help students cover more material faster, and would improve their ability to assimilate or learn that material. 4b4
- 4b5 Adult education and training was seen as essential by the group of educators; the students rated adult education lower in importance than did the other groups, but still gave it fairly high marks. 4b5
- 4b5a Respondents indicated that 20%-30% of the total programming would be directed at the adult level. 4b5a
- 4b5b most all comments concerned with adult education were positive: 4b5b
- 4b5b1 Round 1 Researcher: My guess is that the best market would be the adult education market - as the home equivalent of a night school. 4b5b1
- 4b5b2 Round 1 Housewife: As a housewife at present trying to further my education, it is difficult to spend time commuting and arranging schedules - this new concept would fit ideally into a normal housewife's workday. 4b5b2
- 4b5b3 Round 1 Housewife: This service would be of more use to adults than to children, whose primary need is for a program of discovery. 4b5b3

4b5b4 (101-132-01) I agree with the commentary on adult level programming being a principal basis - Adults have surprising motivation for things that interest them, quite often unrelated to the work environment,

\*\* Serious adult service would be the principal basis, 4b5b4

4b5b5 (110-504-50) Education, in my opinion, is a lifelong process; adult education has not truly been provided for in our society, except at a great cost to the adult. The present education concept is geared to the young, therefore t.v. education should be geared to the adult (especially of the poorer classes), 4b5b5

4b6 When the comments shifted to discussions of technical training, off-the-job training, or second career development, the tone was less enthusiastic: 4b6

4b6a Round 1 Researcher: Adults will not believe in it unless they are participating. 4b6a

4b6b Round 1 Educator: Perhaps a little too optimistic, especially for the adult level, because of the motivation problem. 4b6b

4b6c (c152-113-00) It may allow more "out of interest" courses being taken, thus it is more recreational than professional improvement courses. 4b6c

4b6d (c152-604-01) Certainly, most jobs require "experience" after the basic education has been obtained, and that means being going on-the-job to learn the machinery, the mode of operation of given company, how to work with other branches of company, variables that aren't in any textbooks or remote education courses,

\*\* Assumes ability for off-the-job training, 4b6d

4b6e (c152-616-00) There is a need for a changing role in education - adult education. Again this service would have to be on a face to face basis. What would help is a service that would tell you what each course would teach - exactly what you would learn - a system that could say - we will instruct you in this and this, etc. 4b6e

4b6f (c052-207-00) I see countervailing trends: 1. Growth centers now number about 2000 - which is as many colleges in the U.S. 2. Hotels & motels in the U.S. now report some 200,000 "educational meetings" per year. 4b6f

4b6g The tone was not entirely negative: 4b6g

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- 4b6g1 (C152-115-00) If the service can provide off the job training or if people can learn a new trade (and if this training can be officially recognized), I think the service has interesting potential; many people could use it to get trained to do something they like for a living. 4b6g1
- 4b7 A number of the respondents brought up the increasing importance of providing continuing education to senior citizens: 4b7
- 4b7a (100-303-00) With an aging population meaningful existence for people 60+ must, of necessity, employ education. 4b7a
- 4b7b (110-203-40) Adult services will be important. Perhaps the mixture will be most important - the audience should range from very young to the senior citizen. 4b7b
- 4b7c (110-302-40) If adult continuing education grows as fast in the future as it does now, there is no doubt that adult programming will be important. Furthermore, the population tree is such that in 1980's the adult population will be more important than now. 4b7c
- 4b8 There was no agreement between the groups on where the funding for this service should originate, although the statistics did indicate a slight bias in favor of government funding. 4b8
- 4b9 The Round 1 comments reflected a number of the benefits of government playing a major role in sponsoring this type of service: 4b9
- 4b9a Round 1 Consumerist: If this is to be part of regular schooling, education available to all requires heavy government involvement. 4b9a
- 4b9b Round 1 Housewife: If available, should be available to all, not just the rich. 4b9b
- 4b9c Round 1 Educator: Educational facilities and services are already being substantially used on the "haves"; to put a fee on homelearning for the "have-nots" is to put a further barrier in the way of use. 4b9c
- 4b10 Some Round 2 respondents expanded on these themes: 4b10
- 4b10a (102-123-00) Gov't funding is essential. It is the necessary catalyst. 4b10a



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- 4b10b (102-130-00) Government Funding would clearly alter the user make up, probably by laying the programs to the "mass needs" or "lowest denominator". 4b10b
- 4b10c (102-208-00) Government funding probably would be primarily directed to areas which are not currently adequately covered, e.g., adult education (general), vocational retraining. 4b10c
- 4b10d (102-135-03) Government spending will have to support most of it but would think that educational type business would also support without requiring commercials as we see on regular T.V.  
 \*\* If this is to be part of regular schooling, education available to all requires heavy government involvement. 4b10d
- 4b11 But a majority of Round 2 comments pointed out apparent disadvantages of relying on government funding too heavily: 4b11
- 4b11a (102-106-00) government funding frequently fails to continue long enough for a new function to gain a foothold. Government funding will tend to get involved in censorship, changing the mix of users. 4b11a
- 4b11b (102-119-00) If we have to wait for government funding it will delay the introduction of these services because the consensus is moving towards the government spends too much. 4b11b
- 4b11c (102-122-00) Will inhibit format - no controversy in the programs - could stifle 4b11c
- 4b11d (102-130-00) Reliance on Government funding will delay and delete the services, Problem - most governmental jurisdictions do not coincide with "electric coverage" areas. 4b11d
- 4b12 Whether or not a government should be expected to provide this type of service in the first place was addressed by these respondents: 4b12
- 4b12a (102-604-00) I think that the program could be begun without such heavy government involvement in funding. Let those of us who would otherwise pay for night school, or job training courses, start with the programs we want, and once programs have proved their worth, then the government can expand the programs to "have-nots". I feel the government is already expected to give too much to too many - unjustifiable. 4b12a

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4b12b (103-604-02) If a given employee wants training he, and not his whole union, should pay. Governments/should sponsor programs on what the community needs to know about the community's own ecology, mass transit, population crisis, housing, recreational opportunities, etc. so that people could see how the local and national government is or is not working in these vital areas. I don't think that government should have to support "basic education" on this "luxury" level.

\*\* Private industry for employee training.

4b12b

4b12c (106-141-00) "Taxpayer's revolt will not permit this much \$ to be spent on "educational frills".

4b12c

4b13 The effects of private industry involvement in this area, the threats such involvement might present, and the role of government in regulating such involvement were all addressed in Round 2:

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4b13a (102-109-00) In the Age of Information, only the hardware system can be owned - the question may still be: By whom? But "software" information knows no bounds; its "ownership" is already free - for - all via electric media; it can never be contained or detained for long by "hardware".

4b13a

4b13b (102-122-00) probably be faster with "commercials",

4b13b

4b13c (103-115-01) If each company decides to sponsor an educational program to promote its product, we will end up with unnecessary duplication which may become costly for the consumer. Perhaps the solution would be for industry associations or group of companies to sponsor these programs. e.g. car manufacturers sponsor a course on automobile mechanics.

\*\* Industry trying to develop markets through education of potential buyers (?).

4b13c

4b13d (103-118-00) It may be that with the coming of the "Information Society" (as Japan has called it) in the 21st century this service will indeed become an important part of our national leisure time activity. Much more research needs to be done on format - such as study of how educational T.V. operates in other countries. Perhaps a combination of government and private industry funding will be necessary to offset huge programming costs in the future. What will be required is firm government control of advertising (not present now) in the industry. A mix of public-private perhaps suits our system best. But our geography demands a

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high involvement in educational T.V. and more government  
stimulus to support this growing sector.

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- 4c Household Information and Dedicated News 4c
- 4c1 Demand Analysis: 4c1
- 4c1a over 60% said it was "moderately" to "very" important; 4c1a
- 4c1b over 60% said it was a "moderate" to "large" improvement. 4c1b
- 4c2 There was fair agreement that a service of this type would be consulted between 3 and 10 times a week, with the type of information best suited to this type of service received less agreement. There was agreement that medical treatment information and first-aid tips would be very well suited to this medium. 4c2
- 4c3 This service is expected to substitute in varying degrees for a number of alternative sources of the same information (sources which are available and used today). There was a slight trend in the statistics that indicated that inter-personal sources (phoning someone, or a face-to-face visit) would be replaced by this service to a greater extent than would existing media sources (television, radio, books and magazines). This may be an indication that the type of information most suited to this service would be that which was needed quickly, on demand. 4c3
- 4c4 These respondents apparently felt that the majority of respondents in Round 1 did not fully appreciate the type of information that could be made available on a service of this kind: 4c4
- 4c4a (201-213-00) Disagree with most statements - a data bank of information with random access to a whole host of general households info would be far more effective, efficient and complete than any of the current sources. 4c4a
- 4c4b (201-208-01) I have a feeling that these respondents in the main do not understand the types of info service which ultimately will be available and what it would do with the way they will use information sources. I personally see a computer-augmented system providing a broader range of info more quickly and comprehensively than all the media can now provide, combined. The use of the word "replace" in the question is unfortunate, because I don't see any of them replaced for a good long time.
- \*\* This is one area where computer-augmented dialog, document production, query systems, access to special computing services would come in. In ten years powerful,

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- relatively inexpensive systems will be available, Assuming these capabilities my families' use is as indicated, 4c4b
- 4c4c (201-111-00) See Jencho recent book "Ad Hocism" 4c4c
- 4c5 These sentiments were reflected in these further comments in the concept of evolution implicit in the introduction, growth, and development of services of this type: 4c5
- 4c5a (201-305-04) Could be something to this. Might improve a requirement for suitable variation over time.  
\*\* This service would go well for awhile, these people would get tired of it and no longer use it. 4c5a
- 4c5b (201-203-00) I think the type of service requested would change over time. More detailed information may be sought by users. One can spend many hours on a phone trying to locate a replacement part for home equipment. 4c5b
- 4c5c (201-106-00) As with any new media the particular usage cannot be predicted before hand. It will have to evolve. Every medium was used first in some non-optimist role before its true usefulness to the public emerged. The benefits will be great, but we don't know what they will be in detail - any flexible, new way of communicating will be adopted and will become very useful in time. 4c5c
- 4c6 Whether or not such a system would be too cumbersome to use was addressed in this Round 1 comment: 4c6
- 4c6a round 1 Educator: To use a card index is more efficient and easier. 4c6a
- 4c7 Some of the respondents in Round 2 saw the situation differently: 4c7
- 4c7a (201-201-02) Bullshit!  
\*\* To use a card index is more efficient and easier. 4c7a
- 4c7b (201-203-02) This educator must be fairly old.  
\*\* To use a card index is more efficient and easier. 4c7b
- 4c7c (201-122-02) If you have one convenient  
\*\* To use a card index is more efficient and easier. 4c7c
- 4c8 But others in the second round shared this concern: 4c8
- 4c8a (202-201-00) Indexing and access will be a key factor in limiting use by non-professional groups. 4c8a

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4c8b (202-106-00) "Tuning in" will be unpleasant. It will require the use of manuals, knobs, fials, maybe light pens - messy. No one will enjoy this part.

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4c9 One of the advantages of a "card catalogue" approach to this type of information is that it would provide the user with the opportunity to browse. Some Round 2 respondents saw a problem in this area if the information were to be available over some electronic medium:

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4c9a (201-305-00) Could be, but browsing is usually done in situations where marginal cost (in almost any terms) is zero.

4c9a

4c9b (201-130-00) Browsing is expensive, both in terms of costs in an electronic medium, and in terms of time. The beauty of the written word is its near zero storage and callup cost, so that "browsing" can occur at essentially no add on cost. The "discovery" aspect is the real payoff, but this is "directed, or oriented" discovery if one is constrained to use a medium whose costs are proportional to time in use.

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- 4d Shopping and Purchasing from the Home 4d
- 4d1 1973 Demand Analysis: 4d1
- 4d1a over 60% said it was "moderately" to "very" important; 4d1a
- 4d1b over 60% said it was a "moderate" to "large" improvement. 4d1b
- 4d2 It was expected that the social functions served by shopping would be mentioned by the respondents. This was confirmed; there were a number of comments in the following vein: 4d2
- 4d2a (400-216-00) The elimination of the social, recreational and exercise values of shopping would be very undesirable in my opinion, unless they are replaced by other activities which contribute even more to mental and physical health. 4d2a
- 4d2b (401-109-00) Need to dramatize current bargains and new products or services offered - only enough to arouse curiosity leading to requests for more specific information by those who need it. Ads would be the subplot of a quick tour around the shopping places. 4d2b
- 4d2c (402-102-00) Communications media will be hard pressed to provide the intimate inspection opportunities customers expect at say the meat counter. The biggest objection to staying home is that it can be rather dull. 4d2c
- 4d2d (402-303-00) Shopping, for housewives, is a way of maintaining contact with someone other than children, and the T.V. 4d2d
- 4d2e (402-307-00) If shopping from home destroys store shopping it would be very sad for the dedicated "shoppers" who do it for fun. 4d2e
- 4d2f (438-106-40) c) In big cities one doesn't "meet people" while shopping. 4d2f
- 4d2g (440-205-40) Same as above for e) if the surprise is rape, its probably not going to increase the frequency of shopping trips except in a few cases! 4d2g
- 4d3 It is interesting to note that none of the women in the housewives group commented on the above concerns. The fact

- that "women" and "housewives" were not synonymous was brought out by more than one panelist. 4d3
- 4d3a (201-305-00) Could be, but browsing is usually done in situations where marginal cost (in almost any terms) is zero. 4d3a
- 4d3b (201-130-00) Browsing is expensive, both in terms of costs in an electronic medium, and in terms of time. The beauty of the written word is its near zero storage and callup cost, so that "browsing" can occur at essentially no add on cost. The "discovery" aspect is the real payoff, but this is "directed, or oriented" discovery if one is constrained to use a medium whose costs are proportional to time in use. 4d3b
- 4d4 Most of the other comments on the use of the shopping-from-home service were directed to specific aspects of the service's features or operation. 4d4
- 4d5 Many respondents commented on how the lack of human interaction (with clerks and other sales personnel) would not affect the degree of service as much as might be expected; 4d5
- 4d5a (436-106-40) Can't get objective info, from clerk, 4d5a
- 4d5b (436-120-50) So many stores are "self service" operations. 4d5b
- 4d5c (436-124-00) My assumption is that informed sales clerks are as scarce as hen's teeth today and getting rarer, thus the trend encourages the service. 4d5c
- 4d5d (436-141-40) Most clerks seem to have little information on their products today. 4d5d
- 4d5e (436-203-40) Not very many knowledgeable clerks today. 4d5e
- 4d5f (436-612-50) This won't have any effect because the clerks on the phone will or should be able to give you any information, etc. Delivery services should be increased so you shouldn't have to worry there. 4d5f
- 4d6 The effect of an on-line, interactive service such as this on impulse buying behaviour was discounted by most of the commenting respondents: 4d6
- 4d6a (401-118-00) You still assume that it will be householders using this service exclusively. It seems to me



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it would be of far more use to working people who would shop by phone from their place of work.

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4d6b (402-118-00) The increasing number of women in the labour force (already 34%) will need this sort of service. Also future work patterns will free both men and women to work at home as well as at the office will encourage this. Your assumptions that the family unit will continue to operate as it has done in the past is short-sighted and fails to take account of changing social needs.

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4d7 The impact of rising urban crime rates on the popularity or success of services such as shopping-from-home was brought up by several of the respondents. Most indicated that they believed that where present, rising street crime rates would tend to encourage the development of the service. These two comments make the same point, with additional insight:

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4d7a (435-124-00) Areas where this is the greatest problem are the areas least able to afford an exotic service such as this service.

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4d7b (435-201-20) Obviously a highly abusable selling point for the "insulated society."

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- 4e Remote Banking Service 4e
- 4e1 1973 Demand Analysis: 4e1
- 4e1a over 75% said, yes, it would be used if available 4e1a
- 4e1b cost to the user would be about the same as alternative status quo 4e1b
- 4e1c most useful documentation in form of hard-copy statemnts, bills; 4e1c
- 4e1d reference in Business Delphi study of availability on weekends, etc. (good reference, use it!) 4e1d
- 4e2 indications that it would tend to substitute heavily for traditional paper-bound banking practices (10%-40%); most heavy substitution for payments to utility co.'s, and recurring payments for things like insurance, rent or mortgage, etc.) 4e2
- 4e3 The panelists indicated that one of the main factors encouraging customers' use of services such as this was the time and inconvenience associated with traditional banking practices: 4e3
- 4e3a (501-302-00) Banking chores are unattractive, tedious and time-consuming. Automatic systems will be adopted quickly at least in urban areas. 4e3a
- 4e3b (501-118-00) The present banking system for the public is so out moded and restrictive that any change would be an improvement. The public (especially working people are badly served by inconvenient hours, long lines on pay day, rigid old-fashioned accounting. But remote banking will require public safeguards which banks themselves must not provide to protect users. One would not want to "send the fox to watch the chickens". 4e3b
- 4e4 This last respondent's concern for safeguards in the system was one of the main topics that came out of the first round: 4e4
- 4e4a Round 1 Researcher: We will need some foolproof method of remote verification of personal identification. I at must be quick, positively accurate, and have the legal binding of one's signature. Ultimately, we will need to know just who made this transaction. This requires positive proof on one's identity. Several successful incidents of masquerading to "rob the bank" will cause so much

consternation that highly foolproof procedures will become commonplace.

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4e4b Round 1 Researcher: The only bottleneck is a "cheap" means of personal identification over the phone - a code number is not going to be enough.

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4e4c Round 1 Researcher: Security is badly handled by banks now - at least the privacy aspect - what's needed are changeable encrypted passwords on accounts, audits, ways to correct errors, consumer protection laws regarding illegal misuse of the system.

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4e5 This researcher recognized and commented on the fact that the question of protection of privacy was more than a hardware or software concern:

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4e5a Round 1 Researcher: Unfortunately people in general would probably be hardpressed to describe such a system in terms that are intelligible; banking security is acquired by reputation and tradition rather than logic.

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4e6 The privacy of the information stored in the memory of systems such as this received a great deal of additional comment in the second round.

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4e6a (503-504-00) Security and privacy are all important factors; this could be overcome by a rapid system of "voice printing" and comparison. Official institutions (income tax, etc.) however, must be allowed to check the computer banks, but the citizen involved must be aware and consenting.

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4e6b (503-218-00) Decentralization & partition of Data should be maintained except when there is a special need for long-distance reference. Keep as much of the system close to the users as possible. Perhaps every terminal should have Data cassette or Hard Copy output for the users to keep their own records.

4e6b

4e6c (503-115-01) In order to be successful, the system would have at least to be absolutely secure, simple to understand and to use and to retain at least the same advantages to the consumer than the current system (control of bank account, credit extension, etc.)

\*\* Absolute privacy and hard copy receipt at time of transaction. Also, the right to question one's credit file and credit rating.

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4e6d (503-122-00) There are over 140 bills on privacy now in

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US Congress, Privacy is a popular bug, will have to ensure accuracy & security. 4e6d

4e6e (503-130-00) In the U.S. much legislation is being enacted which bears on many of these questions. Unfortunately, the legislations themselves differ from state to state, or is between state and federal. It is likely to be a highly confused (and risky) area for some time to come. 4e6e

4e7 This researcher alone commented on the distinction between the privacy of the information, and the misuse of that information (although the same point WAS brought up by several others in responding to the general questions on the changing attitudes toward privacy that might be brought about by the proliferation of this and other "wired city" services): 4e7

4e7a (503-203-00) Oppenheimer is quoted as saying that we must reach the day when secrecy is illegal - as far as practically possible, I think the privacy bit is a strawman which has to be knocked down. Prevention of misuse of information = yes, secrecy no. 4e7a

4e8 Of the hardware suggestions for increasing the security of the information contained in systems of this sort, voice-prints were mentioned most frequently; it may be interesting to note that the researchers did not mention voice-prints at all, 4e8

4e8a (503-604-00) I would think that something like your fingerprints would be the least personal verification people would require. Or a voiceprint. Something absolutely personal. 4e8a

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4e8c (503-212-01) Handprint, voiceprint transmitted to central memory bank and back from point of transaction. 4e8c

4e9 The fact that services of this nature could eliminate a majority of the "float" experienced as a result of traditional paper-bound accounting methods came in for some comment in the second round, although the statistical responses did not indicate whether the absence of a float would neither encourage nor discourage bank patrons from using the service. 4e9

4e9a (517-123-50) I'm a "kite flyer" who lives on the

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"float". We ar a significant force - perhaps a majority among consumers.

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4e9b (517-132-30) A few play with the float to a minor degree but overall I would not expect any real effect.

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4e9c (517-218-40) Current line of interest rates make all interest free delays quite valuable to the consumer.

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4e9d (517-302-30) Some sort of credit arrangement can replace the float system.

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## 4f Remote Work Center

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4f1 The internal and external Business Delphi studies looked at this question and saw neighborhood work centers evolving by 1986-1990; home work centers by 1991-2000:

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4f1a "Entrepreneurs will strive to get their money out of existing downtown skyscrapers. We in Canada will not have reached the point where alternatives to present day arrangements are unsatisfactory - ie. road congestion, transportation difficulties, etc."

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4f1b Dan Goodwill's summation,....."A 'lack of desire for travel', the 'greater economy in substituting communications for travel', and the inability of our transportation system to cope with the population increase are expected to encourage us to more in this direction."

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4f1c "The neighborhood remote work center offers a means of managerial control. Conceptually it is little different from the branch bank or store. It will have to come as large urban areas become absolutely choked by Transportation."

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4f1d "The professional working man requires the intellectual stimulation of interacting with other professionals in a 'work environment'. As a result, single person work centers, despite their initial appeal, will not be successful. They would be too intellectually lonely."

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4f1e "Who can work with the kids around,"

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4f2 The statistical responses indicated that there were a number of factors that would encourage the development and use of remote work centers. The strongest encouraging factors will be changes in the time and distances traveled in order to reach a central office and the changing nature of the work-week,

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4f3 There were an extraordinarily high number of comments on various aspects of the use of the remote work center.

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4f4 Round 1 Researcher: In general I do not feel that working at home will fill the requirements for control which most business organizations will want to maintain. Much more likely, it seems to me, is the concept of the satellite office, located not as an office to meet the public locally, but as the place of work for the employees who can reach it - then carry on the work from it via communications links to fellow workers in other satellite offices.

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- 4f5 The use of a variety of communications media were assumed by most of the respondents in their comments. Most of the comments concerning the communications hardware pointed out that most of the hardware is available today: 4f5
- 4f5a (602-132-00) Assuming a Community Work Center with face-to-face as needed in 2-3 times per week depending on the task, I see no problems. I like audio teleconferencing. Other methods ie, computer teleconferencing, particularly with graphics backup can be useful in some applications and work areas. This would be new. Broadband is not really necessary. The possibility for dynamic changes, to see "what if" could also be exciting. 4f5a
- 4f5b (602-123-00) Computer-Augmented communications has great potential, e.g, as a mechanism for reaching a rapid consensus, particularly when the group is large. 4f5b
- 4f5c Therefore these systems are not a total substitute but could replace much of our face-to-face and provide on a wide basis many new possibilities. 4f5c
- 4f6 Some of the researchers comments on technologies that are just around the corner, in terms of prices falling to a level competitive with alternative means of accomplishing the task: 4f6
- 4f6a (602-218-00) It should be possible to have information "bourses" where people put up ideas & scheme requests & appraise & bid on them etc. Sort of a distributed specifics group - The FORUM kind of thing or what I've proposed is a "Cyberwork" exchange, (institute for the future Stanford) - replacing much scientific technical & other publishing. 4f6a
- 4f6b (602-120-00) A great deal depends upon what happens to the flow of paper which is still in 1974 such a large part of most white collar jobs. Certainly storage and retrieval systems will be important. Nevertheless letter writing and paper flow is going to be with us for a long time. Therefore for many types of professions it will be necessary to be at the receiving end of the paper flow. Therefore I would see a

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cheap telecopier, a cheap scribblephone, conference TV and video storage and retrieval becoming important in addition to these services mentioned on p. 21

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4f6c (601-216-01) I feel a conventional telephone and telecopier are too primitive as communication facilities. Some broadband (high speed) soft copy facsimile or alphanumeric/graphic presentation is a minimum requirement, with teleconferencing facilities, at least for special purposes. The greater ease of providing these at community work centres is a strong point in their favour over the home work centre.

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4f7 Some comments addressed the behavioural changes that might be expected from relying heavily on telecommunications services to provide much of the inter-personal communications. (Few of the comments in this section addressed the question of these technologies acting to depersonalize the relationships between a worker and his peers; this potentiality was reserved for the discussion of the impact that all the services considered in this study might have on inter-personal relations.)

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4f8 These comments indicate some of the ways in which group processes might be improved through the use of telecommunications alternatives to conventional face-to-face meetings:

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4f8a (602-213-00) All forms of formal communication are possible and desirable for greater efficiency. Telecommunication may also eliminate "noise" from interpersonal communication such as strange room environment, other individual present, can produce absolute privacy. All forms of counseling may work here from group to individual. Like remote diagnosis.

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4f8b (602-123-00) computer=Augmented communications has great potential, e.g. as a mechanism for reaching a rapid consensus, particularly when the group is large. This technology could also facilitate a greater range of



interrupt strategies so that more than multiple dialogues could take place with more than one speaker talking at once. But I can't see much promise for improving face-to-face dialogue between two people. The big payoff is in assisting group dialogue!

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4f8c (601-305-01) This is very interesting and a real possibility. The advantage is to avoid long trips (possibly under congested conditions) to work while at the same time, permitting large enough groupings of workers so that the benefits of face-to-face contact can be obtained as needed.

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4f9a he public served). No technological advance is needed. Only a different viewpoint by the businessman.,xci

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%2(601-132-00) A major problem with CWC's would appear to be the city planners. For example - in Ottawa the city planners do not like decentralization. They encourage work in the central core - makes the small business more viable, makes public transit more viable, etc. These attitudes will have to be consulted, is t4,2dRK!

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4f10 The question (raised in this last comment) of the effect of a migration of white collar job centers away from the city

center was commented on by a number of the respondents. There appears to be a mixture of functional and dysfunctional consequences.

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4f10a (601-212-00) It would help keep me out of the city. I'm for it. It would contribute strongly to a decreased tax base in the city, resulting in fewer resources to solve city problems.

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4f10b (601-116-00) This depend greatly on residential patterns whiCh vary substantially. Also on population density, in Los Angeles the satellite office might be more attractive than in New York City.

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4f10c (601-205-00) City centres - should relieve traffic and parking - allow for more park areas etc.

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4f10d (601-205-00) Urban sprawl - would probably increase this but could revitalize smaller towns. Energy - would save energy to a great degree.

4f10d

4f10e (601-123-00) It's very appealing but not feasible for many kinds of work due to inherent limitations on face-to-face contact with clients and co-workers. If the concept we're widely adopted it could have a profound impact on encouraging further abandonment of the center cities. Most people would rather not work in the center city just as they already don't reside there. This could provide an impetus for total abandonment of the core city. The foregoing comments apply only to large U.S. cities. I do not feel qualified to comment on the Canadian experience but suspect it might be different.

4f10e

4f10f (601-113-00) Question: Would major employers build the satellite offices, or telephone companies, or governments, or .....? Is this a real alternative to travel? If such satellite offices are built it will make suburbs into cities and urban sprawl will be speeded up even further. The center cities may become empty even during the day. The structure of the city will be changed, more ghettos, etc.

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4f11 The availability of energy resources was associated with the decentralization of work locations by many respondents.

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4f11a (601-504-00) It would certainly alleviate city-center automobile congestion, and therefore any energy crises.

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4f11b (601-505-00) The city centres would no longer exist, we would have one big area with no visual city centre. More

land would be used in this concept of satellite offices. The energy shortage would be the same, people would save energy, by not having to go into a main centre every day, but that energy would be used to keep the satellite office running. 4f11b

4f11c (601-213-00) Satellite centers are more economically sound and could provide more service at lesser costs to more individuals. Conservation of energy should be assured in small satellite centres over large units. 4f11c

4f11d (601-207-01) The satellite office concept is great. It saves time, energy, wear and tear and satisfies the need for socialization, person-to-person transactions, & provides resources lacking in the average home. 4f11d

4f11e (601-106-00) NASA has examined this concept (Sam Fordyce - Wash. D.C.) and continues to pursue it. Not all jobs are tractable. Perhaps 30-35% of work trips ultimately - much less than that in first decade. The impact would be both positive and negative - fixed costs for existing transportation systems would have to be borne by the remaining riders. Society may need these too much to jeopardize them. The ramifications are immense and require a detailed study. 4f11e

4f11f (601-110-00) Reduce energy, pollution, accidents. Increase productivity, quality of life. 4f11f

4f11g (601-111-00) Unless the concept is researched thoroughly and is found viable I shall have considerable doubts about it. In the short term building these centers would make energy situation worse, thereafter a slight improvement could be envisaged unless people, as a result, tended to disperse more from cities and use their cars more. 4f11g

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- 4f11i (601-115-00) Excellent suggestion! But this may not necessarily solve the problem of traffic congestion if people having to work at one given center live in different areas of the city since I presume the satellite office would consist of the people forming working units rather than people living in the area. 4f11i
- 4f12 Alternatives to a permanent steel and concrete work center were mentioned by a couple of the respondents: 4f12
- 4f12a (601-218-00) Another possibility are mobile work carrels & cabins - trailers or campers that a group of people could take to various sites - construction sites, recreation sites, etc. so that the workplace would be mobile. 4f12a
- 4f12b (601-218-00) Yes something like a community centre for a Public Library work & playcentre is needed. 4f12b

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4g Remote Medical Diagnosis

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4g1 1973 Demand Analysis:

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4h Remote Political Participation

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- 41 Home Surveillance Systems 41
- 411 1973 Demand Analysis: 411
- 412 There was general agreement among all groups of respondents that the appeal to householders of this type of service will increase over the next ten years. 412
- 413 The main factors expected to encourage the use of this type of service by householders were changing demographic patters (Urban core vs. suburban and rural concentrations of population) and householders' changing attitudes and expectations about the need for such services. The impact of changing crime rates was thought by the consumerists to be a major encouraging factor to the widespread development of services of this kind. 413
- 414 From previous studies, it was determined that the false alarms that would inevitably result in systems of this sort would be a major concern for providers of the services, householders, and law enforcement agencies. The respondents were asked to consider some of the issues involved in this problem. 414
- 415 They indicated that the majority of the false alarms would result by accidental triggering, rather than technical malfunctions or equipment failure. Following are some of the comments that addressed the question of false alarms: 415
- 415a Round 1 Educator: Make the equipment as foolproof as possible; put triggering devices well out of reach of children and dogs; remind householders at regular intervals to check the equipment; forbid smoking. Human nature you won't change, so accidental trippings of the alarm will continue as long as children can climb on stools, cabinets, other furniture; cooks forget that they have pots on the stove while they talk on the telephone and parents lock out teenage kids. 415a
- 415b Round 1 Researcher: If voice, computer, and video channels provided as standard for each household (installation now being tested in Japan), redundant signals could be used on separate channels for imprtant protective functions; general alarm for total system failure, requiring instant service by telephone company "flying squad" equipped for appropriate action. 415b
- 415c (900-102-00) One must recognize that false alarms must



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- be paid for. If one obtains a zero false alarm rate there is probably also a finite LOST ALARM RATE. Gaming strategy can be employed here to advantage. 415c
- 415d (900-505-02) Don't put the triggering device out of reach of children, they may have a good and valid reason to trigger it at some time. 415d
- 415e (908-201-00) Look at the record. Police departments want out now - the stuff misfires in every storm. 415e
- 416 A further concern of the respondents was that the perceived need for services of this type might be much greater than the rational or economic need. 416
- 416a (900-604-02) I think this system would only appeal really to those in isolated areas and to the elderly, who are prone to accidents, and, unfortunately robbery. Most of us have a neighbour 10 ft. away to call upon. I do believe all homes should have smoke sensors to rouse sleepers before they're overcome by the fumes.  
\*\* Don't install the damned things. 416a
- 416b (901-132-00) The crime rate is disturbing - the U.S. scene (which we know best but on which we get inadequate information) is a forerunner of our urban life. The "fortress" complex could overflow here ie. the problem is one of perception not necessarily one of substance, the latter is yet improved although in fact may be proven. 416b
- 416c (901-141-00) Perhaps the crime rate aspect is more a question of perception than real data. One fundamental here is the security and peace of mind aspect even though the system may never be used. If people perceive crime to be a problem then they will feel better having this type of system.  
\*\* 1) Certify the supplier of systems 2) Make tests compulsory. 416c
- 416d (901-608-00) The type of community which truly needed this service would not be one in which I would wish to live. At present, the idea seems impractical, and if implemented, would be guilty of producing one more manufactured "need", like second cars and backyard swimming pools. 416d
- 416e (904-213-06) I don't understand the housewife reaction since the research shows the housewife has major concern over crime. 416e

- 5 IMPACTS of the services, by type of impact 5
- 5a Available Leisure Time 5a
- 5a1 According to the staistical summaries of the respondents' opinions, these services will have little affect on the amount of leisure time available to householders. 5a1
- 5a2 The largest deviation between the groups were on the Demand Entertainment service and the Remote Work Center. 5a2
- 5a3 A number of comments on this question were directed to the definition of "leisure time", and to the fact that different interpretations could lead to different responses. This is undoubtedly true, and the questions was designed, in part, with the objective of determining how people's conception of leisure time may change during the study period. Note how the delineation between time spent in gainful employment and all other activities enters into the following interpretations of leisure time: 5a3
- 5a3a Round 1 Researcher: It of course depends on what one means by "leisure". Let's just say that leisure (or play) is something that one is not obliged to do and that the opposite (work) is that which one is obliged to do. 5a3a
- 5a3b Round 1 Educator: How do you define "leisure time"? I use the idea that leisure is doing something which intereste me other than my gainful employment. Therefore these services would allow me more "leisure" by using up my "spare" time. 5a3b
- 5a3c (a050-109-00) Leisure: satisfactions on human scale, beyond markets when work and pleasure merge - just doing waht comes naturally" doing nothing is "natural" only for the "sick". 5a3c
- 5a3d (a050-113-00) Leisure = time available to do all things not directly related to the job. (e.g. reading a report at home, in one's "spare time" is work, not leisure). (I used this definition when answering the questions.) 5a3d
- 5a3e (a050-123-00) The distinction between leisure and work is getting more difficult to discern, especially out of the context of traditional middle-class lifestyles. Many middle aged workers are moving into second careers more related to the hobbies and leisure time interest. There is a heightened emphasis on job satisfaction which is often traded off against money as a service of job remuneration. 5a3e

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- 5a4 The emphasis on gainful pursuits (in a vocational sense) is noticeably absent in the following comments, however: 5a4
- 5a4a (a050-143-00) More people should get paid for what they do in Leisure. Because other want them to do it, 5a4a
- 5a4b (a050-143-00) One can build a precise model - leading to Roman Circuses or to some other Utopia . Better get one with an economically sound development future! That's what my whole thing is about. 5a4b
- 5a4c (a050-505-00) I consider leisure time as times when I have nothing to do and I do nothing then. Your definition of leisure time seems better, but I don't believe I would change my answer for any of the services. 5a4c
- 5a4d (a050-620-00) Leisure time to me means a few more stolen moments to do the things that are for my pleasure! Creative things = music, time doing little things for other people and my church. That's living! 5a4d
- 5a5 This researcher identified leisure time as a function of several interrelated factors 5a5
- 5a5a (a050-143-00) Leisure Time = f([creativity in society] x [Productivity of the society] x [Consensus-forming ability] x [Communication]) 5a5a
- 5a6 A few of the panelists brought up the point that while these services might not actually result in "documentable" increases in leisure time, they may significantly alter the distribution of time spent on all activities: 5a6
- 5a6a (a550-604-01) This researcher has a car, and works near a bank, and is dressed to appear in public. This housewife has the car only sometimes, has to drag small children along and is tired of the 1,001 errands housewives run, and has to "clean up" she and the kids to go out. Therefore = the difference. 5a6a
- 5a6b (a550-203-06) There are many indirect activities which could be handled as the housewife has pointed out, 5a6b
- 5a6c (a550-115-01) I agree with the housewife. Has the above researcher ever experienced waiting in a line at a department store while two or three people in front of you are using credit card cheques or cashing a social security cheque? I doubt very much that an "automatic" purchase would be slower on the average. 5a6c

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5a6d (a550-116-00) There are major social class differences in "banking". Poor people who have to wait in line to buy things like money orders and foodstams spend more time "banking" than middle class people need to. 5a6d

5a6e (a550-120-06) I support the position of the housewife. Banking may take no more than 60 minutes a month but that figure could certainly be trimmed somewhat through the use of Remote Banking. 5a6e

5a6f (a550-123-01) I would also have to agree with the researcher's comment above. Even now I do most of my banking by mail or telephone. The only times I go to the bank is for getting cash. Even, then I generally don't go to the bank but to a supermarket or other retail establishment which will cash my checks without all the hassle of a bank. I have my employer deposit my check directly into my savings and checking accounts. So who need al these electronic, frills? Only the banks themselves not the public! 5a6f

5a6g (a550-124-01) This definition of banking is doubtless far too narrow, thus the 30 minute/mo. figure. Banking should include time involved in all non-trivial purchases and transactions. 5a6g

5a6h (a050-620-01) Your researcher in this instance, is either a male with a wife or secretary to do his running around for him, or he has a different banking system than ours. 5a6h

5a6i Round 1 Educator: It's not clear whether the time spent with the service is available leisure time or lost leisure time. Hence, a neutral response. Actually, it would lead to a changed distribution of leisure time activity. 5a6i

5a6j Round 1 Educator: All these services wold probably increase my efficiency at doing things I am already doing without necessarily changing the distribution of my activities. 5a6j

5a7 This question of changes is the "efficiency" with which current activites are conducted was a key topic in the responses to the second questionnaire. In the first questionnaire, the following comments were made about the impct of the remote banking concept on the leisure time of bank customers: 5a7

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5a7a Round 1 Housewife: This would save time - no more payday lineups, etc.; also, no special trips out to pay bills; save money on stamps, writing of cheques; this cost could be used towards computer service.

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5a7b Round 1 Researcher: Banking per se takes probably no more than 30 minutes per month; the time taken to make a purchase "autoatically" would probably increase.

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5a8 The comments in the second questionnaire were fairly evenly split in supporting these two positions. Again, the different connotations of leisure time may be responsible for the differences, but more important to the results of this study is the development of the idea that many of these services, while purportedly directed at increasing efficiency, pleasure, or convenience in one or two specific areas, may actually impact across several areas. There may be a multiplicative factor present which produces "leisure time" not as a total of several individual factors, but as a total that is greater than the some of the parts.

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## 5b Amount of Time Spent at Home

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5b1 The respondents indicated a slight trend in the direction of more time being spent at home as a result of the availability and use of these services. Services which set the pace for this general trend were Demand Entertainment and Education, Remote Shopping and Banking, and Remote Work Centers. (The welfare workers on the panel saw the Remote Work Center as a factor leading to a DECREASE in the amount of time spent at home. The reason for this was not made clear in the comments, unfortunately; the representation of this group in the second questionnaire was much less than that of the other groups.)

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5b2 Several of the respondents pointed out that people were gregarious by nature, and that no amount of encouragement could induce them to isolate themselves to the extent that the interpersonal contacts would be reduced.

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5b2a (b051-130-00) I doubt that peoples' overall time proportions would change much (or historically have) regardless of technology at hand. "Getting out" is the name of the game, regardless of purpose or motivation, since man is inherently a gregarious animal, not a loner.

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5b2b (b051-504-00) Man is basically a social animal, geared to functioning in and interacting with varied groups. The services tend to make man a more stay-at-home animal. Ultimately decreasing social interaction on all levels, though the services would mainly benefit the users, this reduced group activity is the only serious drawback. It would, unfortunately change our entire social structure,

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5b2c (b051-602-00) My own opinion would be that very little change would be caused by any of these services, in time spent at home. Those who enjoy going out will continue to do so. People have to associate personally with others in order to learn and grow.

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5b3 A great many others took exception to the generalization implied in the question and inferred that the introduction of new communications capabilities would not in itself lead to specific decisions to stay home or go out (in particular), and to the elimination of individual preferences and behaviours in general.

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5b3a (b051-111-00) All I can say is that to the extent telecommunications removes constraints and provides more options people will be a little freer to do what they want,

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- to stay at home or the reverse depending on their inclinations. But there are bound to be side-effects. 5b3a
- 5b3b (b051-203-00) I think there is a balance between having people around and having solitude with one's own ideas. 5b3b
- 5b3c (b051-203-00) I think there is a balance between having people around and having solitude with one's own ideas. 5b3c
- 5b3d (b051-505-00) some people would be home stayers while others would want to go out. This would account for why there might be a great difference between the two groups. People would stay at home more if these services were installed. 5b3d
- 5b3e (b051-505-00) The services would depend on what type of life a person leads. If a person stayed at home most of the time, it wouldn't matter if these services were brought into the home, but probably a more significant change would appear in the person who spent his time away from home. 5b3e
- 5b3f (b051-604-00) I think that the time we spend at home is fixed by other considerations. People who must stay home generally are: women with small kids, the elderly, those with physical disabilities, those without transportation. To these the ability to shop, bank, work, get education, medical help and surveillance in their own homes would be a blessing. Others, for whom "getting out" presents no problem would probably still do so generally, but would use entertainment, education, household info, news and political services as an alternative to T.V. with some banking and shopping thrown in a convenience. 5b3f
- 5b3g (b051-608-00) If the services became widely used, naturally users would spend more time in their homes and would go out for reasons other than to deal with these problems. Motives for going out would vary widely and would depend upon whether the home began to be perceived as a "work" or duty centre, rather than the relaxation centre it is now. 5b3g
- 5b3h (b651-612-00) This would depend on the sex of the person. Most females like their husbands to leave their home so they can get work done. A husband at home all the time would drive most wives up the wall because what takes most women 1 hour of time, a husband says its a five minute job. Mine especially. But he never does it himself to show me how to do it in five minutes. Most men couldn't stand to

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be at home all the time. Even people retired complain about husbands telling them what to do.

5b3h

5b4 As in the series of questions on Leisure Time, some of the panelists recognized that if one were to look beyond the direct application and use of these services, it was often the case that where the direct application involved very little impact on how personal time allocations were formulated, the second-order or indirect effects might involve a significant redistribution of available time. This first comment adequately covers the consideration of first-order effects. The others refer to an expected redistribution of time and activities.

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5b4a (b051-113-00) General comment: By using "future home communications services" one naturally stays home more (banking, shopping, taking courses, being entertained, etc.) compared to going away to do such things. (Or it may not reduce the overall time away from home, it may merely shift the type of activities conducted at home.

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5b4b (b051-115-01) B.S.

\*\* If more people spend more time at home getting entertainment there, watch the birth-rate; it might be affected - upwards, of course - unless other developments offset.

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5b4c (b051-143-00) Home=Labour. Fix the TV, Paint the porch, vacuum the floor, change the diaper etc.etc.

5b4c

5b4d (b051-203-01) Hasn't considered redistribution of time.

\*\* It's a stupid question because it's related to the first - its use demands staying at home.

5b4d

5b4e (b651-135-00) Work centres would allow far less regimented work hours thus time at home could center around specific events or desires rather than fitting into the routine work schedule.

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5b4f (b651-616-00) I'm not sure if remote work centers mean a single employee or groups of employees away from their main office. However, if it means a single employee working on his or her own - they may spend more time in their homes if they are group oriented. What I mean is if you work in a large office and are in their bowling league, vacation club, etc., this would be lost to you and you would spend more time at home.

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## 5c Similarity between Work and Recreation

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5c1 With the exception of the Demand Education service and the Remote Work Center, there was general agreement among all the groups that the services studied would have little effect on the perceived similarity of gainful employment and recreation in the future. The student group of respondents felt that the Entertainment service would lead to increasing differences between work and recreation; the Welfare Workers thought that the two would become more similar if the concept of the Remote Work Center developed into widespread use. Once again, there were no comments that would help explain the difference in opinion of the Welfare Workers.

5c1

5c2 The ability to work from home, as distinct from the concept of the Community Work Center which was also developed in this second questionnaire and discussed elsewhere, led many respondents to comment on how the (increased or decreased) efficiency of such a facility would lead to a (decreased or increased) amount of work performed in the name of "gainful" employment.

5c2

5c2a (a650-205-00) Things might become as efficient and interesting that one works more!

5c2a

5c2b (c652-123-00) Productivity Incentive: The Remote Work Center concept might precipitate a shift away from measuring time spent at the office to direct measurement of work output. Productivity might jump if knowledge workers were paid on a piece rate basis much like independent consultants and freelance writers. The more productive workers would therefore enjoy more money and more leisure time.

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5c3 In addition to considering the changes in the content of the work that was being performed in this environment, some of the panelists considered how changes in work styles might increase the similarity between work and recreation:

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5c3a Round 1 Researcher: Assuming home entertainment/recreation functions delivered on same system as home instruction and terminal console.

5c3a

5c3b (c052-141-00) Computer games, social computer conferences etc, might bring work and recreation closer together for those who have terminals at home.

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5c3c (c052-141-00) Education and entertainment might become merged or closer together as a result of shared systems.

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5c4 The fact that in any office environment there will remain those systems and resources which cannot be physically decentralized led many respondents to comment on the inevitable links that would have to be maintained with the central office, and the effect these links would have on the evolving similarity/dissimilarity between work and recreation.

5c4

5c4a (a650-211-00) Unsolved problems are not so easily left behind at the office.

5c4a

5c4b (c652-203-02) Educator # 1 sees need for personal contact and there are some jobs where this is required. However, there are many where this is not true. Access at specific hours is a ximple soln.

\*\* The implications of the remote work center bother me somewhat. An office at home might encourage people to do their business at your home. A public servant might find himself always on the job with no time of his own.

5c4b

5c4c (c652-604-00) I would think that your function at the remote terminal (whatever) would be interrelated with those of the "parent" office, who would still be on normal hours, and you would be limited by their hours therefore. Besides, at 5 PM all you have to do is pull the plug.

5c4c

5c4d (c652-616-00) Some people would have trouble dividing their time. Some need definite hours for work and for leisure time. If this is not imposed on them, they feel disorganized.

5c4d

5c5 "Pull the plug".....It seems clear from the above comments that this may be less convenient than at first expected.

5c5

5c6 The increasing similarity of work and recreation (should these services result in such a development) would have both attractive and unattractive qualities, as indicated in the following comments.

5c6

5c6a (c052-109-00) work, education, and entertainment tend to merge in leisure; using all our wits and senses to explore the problems of all times and places now HERE via electric media is fun.

5c6a

5c6b (c052-504-00) Actually, only the activity would change; the setting would stay the same. If everything is done at home, is there a real difference between them?

5c6b

5c6c (c652-301-00) The assumption seems to be that the home risks becoming infected by work germs. But might not the

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opposite happen, and might this not be of much greater significance? For example, the relative unimportance of schedules in home living starts to pervade work. Fascinating.

5c6c

5c6d (c652-305-00) One problem with working at home is that the work comes to invade the home. Similarly other activities which have been outside will come in to the home. The question which then emerges, in how important is the private and heretofore different atmosphere of the home to peoples preferences and needs. Casual empiricism won't do on this.

5c6d

5c6e (c652-505-20) Your work and recreation would become similar because you would have both located in the same area, therefore if you wanted to work you might consider your work recreation and visa versa.

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## 5d Amount of Money Spent on Maintaining Privacy

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5d1 According to the respondents' numerical responses, there does not appear to be any expectation that householders will be spending less money to protect their privacy in the future. For a few services (Remote Banking, the Remote Work Center, Remote Medical Diagnosis, and Remote Political Participation) it appears they may be spending more.

5d1

5d2 The concept of having to spend money to protect privacy seemed strange to some of the panelists. They pointed this out in some cases, or pointed out that up to now, the cost of privacy had remained hidden from them.

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5d2a (d053-111-00) I don't consciously spend any now I wouldn't in the future. But I would raise hell and attempt to sue if there were any breaks now or in the future.

5d2a

5d2b (d253-203-00) This is a psychological problem to a large extent. The need for privacy of household information is because in the past someone was allowed to misuse the information.

5d2b

5d2c (d053-607-00) I don't know where privacy is involved, not in this day and age anyway.

5d2c

5d3 Other panelists pointed out that the degree of privacy desired by householders was a function of the sensitivity of the information involved, and that in many cases they would not be willing to pay anything to protect privacy.

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5d3a (d053-109-00) Privacy mainly needed to protect confidential information about other peoples' business i.e. client relationships. Responsibility for costs due to such leaks is a dominant consideration.

5d3a

5d3b (d053-123-00) Most thinking people would only be concerned about the confidentiality of sensitive personal information such as financial/banking transactions, medical records, criminal history and arrest files and tax returns. I could care less if you know what kind of entertainment I watch. The privacy of personal information about political involvement and personal ideology could get rather sticky!

5d3b

5d3c (d053-504-00) Since social interaction is reduced, what does it really matter if people know how you spend your leisure time (unless it's criminal activities)?

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5d4 The allocation of the costs of maintaining the privacy of

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the information transmitted and stored by users and providers of these services is a factor that could vary for different services, or for different user-perceptions of the value of privacy. The differences in cost to the user could be based on several different philosophical views of the subject.

5d4

5d4a (d053-101-00) Perhaps money spent as a fraction of the cost of service. Some of these services might contain a fairly high percentage of the total cost for privacy. Perhaps if this were true, the consumer could buy a cheap, low privacy service or an expensive high privacy one.

5d4a

5d4b (d053-303-00) Index of respondent refusal on questionnaires. - Legal proceedings involving privacy. - # of articles in press concerning privacy. - I believe people are concerned but frustrated in knowing how to protect their privacy, to what extent it has already been violated. It is therefore difficult to quantify the price people are willing to pay for a basic civil right.

5d4b

5d4c (d053-505-00) I would suggest you approach it from, how much time people would try to have privacy, if these services were installed. In my family, I know that a great deal of privacy is looked for, but not much money is spent on it.

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5d5 In the same vein, the incidence of the costs of privacy - whether the cost falls directly on the user, on the provider, or perhaps on the government - is related to the cost of the services, since in some manner these costs will have to be picked up somewhere. This first statement reflects the idea that someone has the right to privacy without having to pay anything for it. Is this belief justified only if one further believes that the individual willing to pay nothing for privacy in no way benefits from the the information or transactions that others are paying to protect?

5d5

5d5a (d053-113-00) 1) Pressure groups for the promotion of privacy legislation may be formed. People signing such petitions or whatever shows concern for privacy without spending \$\$\$ on it.

5d5a

5d5b (d053-141-00) People are concerned about privacy but may not be willing to spend their own \$ for it.

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5d5c (d653-141-00) The skewed results on Remote Work Centers may be a reflection of the fact that someone else will pay for the privacy, ie. government or business.

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5d6 At least one respondent related very weeall to the concept of putting a dollar value on privacy; rather than pay to keep it to himself, he is going to turn around and sell it to interested parties:

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5d6a (d053-101-00) If a user has a right of privacy, he can sell information about himself and his tastes to advertisers; the user then has a choice.

5d6a

5d7 In an earlier discussion on the security requirements of the Remote Banking service, the differentiation between access to information and misuse of information was made. The difference was brought out by respondents in this section also.

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5d7a (503-203-00) Oppenheimer is quoted as saying that we must reach the day when secrecy is illegal - as far as practically possible. I think the privacy bit is a strawman which has to be knocked down. Prevention of misuse of information - yes, secrecy no.

5d7a

5d7b (d053-203-01) If someone misused this information he might be in trouble - eg. used as evidence to establish a case of sex offender! The point is to control mis-use of info. \*\* These question don't make sense to me unless I don't want people to know that I watch pornographic opera!

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## 5e Changes in Respect for the Privacy of Others

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5e1 With no exceptions, the six participating groups indicated that none of these services would result in an increase or decrease in people's respect for the privacy of others around them.

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5e2 There was some disagreement over one of the comments from the first questionnaire; this researcher was concerned that a heavy reliance on telecommunications services to produce information "on demand" would affect the way people related to other people:

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5e2a Round 1 Researcher: "Significant decrease"; habituation to information "on demand" could cause general loss of patience and drop in traditional manners.

5e2a

5e3 Some of the respondents in the second questionnaire saw it differently:

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5e3a (e054-111-02) Interesting. Plausible. But I doubt it.

5e3a

5e3b (e054-130-02) I agree. This is already a dangerous trend. The question of property rights in information is one that is beginning to be fought out in the U.S. courts, and probably will, over the next decade, become a major societal issue.

5e3b

5e4 The following statements seem to make an implicit differentiation between absolute privacy (no one will know anything about the information coming INTO or OUT of the home) and security against misuse of that information.

5e4

5e4a Round 1 Researcher: The availability of information on entertainment choices could be embarrassing to some.

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5e4b Round 1 Researcher: Very small percent of users will be embarrassed by disclosing their choice of programs.

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5e4c (f055-212-01) Round 1 Educator: Above all, we don't want any data collection system which can automatically identify what person watched which program, or which household, for that matter.

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5e4c1 Some second round replies directed at this comment:

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5e4c1a (f055-212-01) Why not? It might result in more programs of the type I want?

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5e4c1b (f055-301-01) This is terrifying! Surely the central issue of privacy includes the right to do things that others may disapprove of. This guy seems to be willing to forego this right!

5e4c1b

5e4d (e054-113-00) Making a phone call is an infringement on someone else's privacy. Additional telecommunications services into the home, if switched or feed-back capabilities are included, may cause people to forget about other people's privacy, even more. But since these services are not switched, or there are no cameras in people's home, there's no problem. No change in the respect for other people's privacy.

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5e4e (e054-216-00) I suppose the implication of some of these is that if you have a party line you are tempted to listen to it.

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5e4f (f055-216-00) I cannot understand the heavy emphasis by some on privacy of the first three services.

5e4f

5e4g (f055-303-00) I cannot imagine that a company selling entertainment services etc would not wish to know something about their customers in an effort to improve their marketing and thus their profits. Thus the simple administrative cum accounts of the operation would provide such information. What should be of primary concern for the consumer is that he or she is unwittingly furnishing this information that can be used by the vendor or whomever without any control whatsoever exercised by the customer.

5e4g

5e5 Probably more than one respondent felt that entirely too much time was devoted to this question.

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5e5a (e054-106-00) What is this question all about? It's like asking whether use of the system will affect the likelihood of contacting civilization on other planets.

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## 5f Temporary Disruption in Privacy

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5f1 In the statistical responses of the first round, the students seemed most concerned about the possible unsettling influences that might result from a disruption in the privacy of the information stored and processed in services such as these. For six of the nine services considered in this section, the students expressed greater concern than did any of the other six groups of respondents: Demand Entertainment, Demand Education, Household Information and Dedicated News, Remote Banking, Remote Medical Diagnosis, and Home Surveillance.

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5f2 This deviation was noticed by the respondents in the second round, and they asked for information concerning the students' viewpoints, but unfortunately, the statistical responses were not supported with comments in this case. (This was a general observation with respect to the students' responses throughout the questionnaire.)

5f2

5f2a (f055-116-04) I find the student reactions to the first 3 items (Demand Entertainment, Demand Education, Household Information and Dedicated News) incomprehensible. Did any comment on the risks envisaged?

5f2a

5f2b (f055-122-00) Interesting, that students generally most worried.

5f2b

5f3 The question of exactly what constituted a "temporary" breakdown in privacy was an important one in considering the potential impact of these services. Following are some of the Round 1 comments about the possible different implications that "disruptions" of different types might have, followed by the reactions of some of the respondents in Round 2.

5f3

5f3a Round 1 Researcher: Above all, we don't want any data collection system which can automatically identify what person watched which program, or which household, for that matter.

5f3a

5f3a1 (f055-106-01) Amen to this! Pollsters would develop "sucker lists" for concentrated sales attacks on certain individuals.

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5f3a2 (f055-116-01) Note that this comment is not addressed to the problem of a temporary breakdown in privacy, but rather to an at least intermittent monitoring - these seem to me to be quite different things.

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- 5f3b (f055-116-01) Note that this comment is not addressed to the problem of a temporary breakdown in privacy, but rather to an at least intermittent monitoring - these seem to me to be quite different things. 5f3b
- 5f3c Round 1 Researcher: Availability of information on entertainment choices could be embarrassing to some. 5f3c
- 5f3d Round 1 Researcher: I don't see the privacy issue here in broadband entertainment; they're not bringing TV cameras to my house, and I don't have to use any services I'm ashamed of being caught using (if there were any). 5f3d
- 5f3e (f055-122-01) From the frequency of comments about pornography, I wonder if this guy is a small minority. 5f3e
- 5f4 A number of the respondents used this section to indicate the relative threat that they foresaw arising from the different data banks maintained by different industries and institutions: 5f4
- 5f4a (f055-106-01) I once reviewed a proposed law enforcement project in which this kind of information would be used to predict criminal activity so that concentration on potential criminals would be possible. 5f4a
- 5f4b (f055-123-00) I am much more concerned about privacy threats because I have had the opportunity to see first hand the intimidation exercised by unscrupulous politicians and law enforcement officers once they gained possession of disparaging private data on their adversaries. 5f4b
- 5f4c (f055-123-00) The biggest violators of all are retail credit bureaus which have a reputation for confusing identities of people and perpetrating false, misleading or incomplete information. They should be held liable to lawsuits but they have been able to legally avoid such liability at least in the U.S. til now. 5f4c
- 5f4d (f355-123-00) Newsmen/journalists are almost paranoid about protecting the confidentiality and identity of their news sources. 5f4d
- 5f4e (f355-123-00) Newspapers and the wire services maintain large data banks called "morgues" which they want exempted from privacy protection information even though it is functionally a data bank strictly speaking. Much of the debate here concerns just how to distinguish between personal and public records/information. 5f4e

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5f4f (f555-215-00) Privacy breakdown of remote banking system will be of low importance for "normal" users. But it could be fata for instance to businessmen (competitors could get information about clients, prices,..)

5f4f

5f4g (f755-602-00) The possibility of a privacy breakdown of the Remote Medical Diagnosis would be the only one that would have a negative effect on me.

5f4g

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## 5g Extent to Which Previous Acquaintances Are Encountered 5g

5g1 According to the statistical summaries, there was general agreement among the respondents that these services would neither tend to increase nor decrease the amount of contact with previous friends. Looking at the comments, however, indicates that there was a wide diversity of opinion on the subject.

5g1

5g2 This educator's comment from the first questionnaire sums up the opinion of a lot of the respondents who thought these services would act to "dehumanize" or "depersonalize" individual relationships:

5g2

5g2a Round 2 Educator: I get a claustrophobic feeling from this section. The human animal is a social creature. To isolate large numbers of these social animals in little boxes or cubicles with an array of technological devices, so that at coffeekbreak he/she sees only his/her wife/husband is appalling. Have you considered the personal and psychological (and social) aspects of this kind of work pattern where large numbers of human beings communicate only through electronic devices, ie. machines? I do much of my work at home, but not bound to a computer, or to a small space, or by isolation.

5g2a

5g3 These following comments generally support this view, and in some cases go on to make further observations on the possible dysfunctional consequences of extending these services on a widespread basis.

5g3

5g3a (g056-109-00) Tendency would be to increase separation from work associates, intensify specialism, decrease corporate loyalty, and reduce range of involvement with colleagues just when return to human scale is becoming the most pressing demand of people against "technical solutions" for human problems.

5g3a

5g3b (g056-113-00) A long term trend (sociologically) appears to be developing: away from close relationship with others to a situation where relationships are casual and short term. Communications technology and urbanization have made this possible. The technology talked about here will not reverse the trend. It will tend to help it along. In order to keep track of everything that is going on in the world there will be less time to cultivate relationships with other persons.

5g3b

5g3c (g056-118-00) I agree that technological interference

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- in traditional information-gathering techniques would have a strongly alienating influence on social communications. So insidious does this appear to me that I would refuse to support even the entertainment service if it meant upporting all the others. It looks as though most respondents don't intend to change their social patterns anyway - judging by the graph. 5g3c
- 5g3d (g656-604-00) To have everyone work in own home very undesirable, unproductive and anti-social. 5g3d
- 5g3e (g056-302-00) Friendship is based on common experiences. Common experience will disappear partially. Following the advent of this technology, others (teachers, fellow workers, fellow shoppers, maintenance men) will become "images". 5g3e
- 5g3f (g056-602-02) If these services were in widespread use, some acquaintances would be seen less often, perhaps not at all. I'm thinking especially about the people you now see and talk to while shopping, banking etc.; otherwise as the [Round 1 Educator] said, the human being is a social animal and must have the fellowship of others on a person-to-person basis. 5g3f
- 5g4 Other respondents saw ways in which the new media would be able to increase the level of interaction among community members, partly through increasing the size of the available community! 5g4
- 5g4a (g056-106-00) Nearly all my current social life consists of at-work friendships. This has not always been true but may be for many people. What is needed is a balance between the various types of social life. Interaction is the key thing - it need not be face-to-face. I don't think harmful isolation will occur. 5g4a
- 5g4b (g056-203-06) Being an old amateur radio operator (now not active) many friendship were built on communication by morse code alone. They were "distant" friends but pleasant people to talk with. 5g4b
- 5g5 But the majority of the respondents' comments reflect the view that the availability of new media or new services will not in themselves alter the relationships between users (and non-users?) of the services. 5g5
- 5g5a (g056-115-00) I disagree with the opinion that these services would tend to isolate people generally. With the

exception of remote work center, none of these services is going to occupy people full time, and none is a complete substitute for other activities. I just do not believe that people will stop all their activities such as hobbies, going to parties, visiting friends, etc. I do not see anything particularly so exciting in remote banking, household information, education, home surveillance, etc. to stop all my other additional activities. Even entertainment is not going to stop people from going to the theatres, a baseball game, etc., just as TV did not stop all these activities 25 years ago!

5g5a

5g5b (g056-301-00) Social patterns would change, with much more flexible use of time. There could well be more intense contact among a moderate circle of friends, rather than occasional, superficial contact with many acquaintances. The whole thing becomes much less structured.

5g5b

5g5c (g056-141-00) I agree [with the above Round 1 Educator's comment on the isolation effects], if things were taken to their (il)logical conclusions. Humans would not put up with this. Trust the individuals. Working at home will be a part-time (2-3 days a week min.) activity. The social aspects will draw people to central offices for the other times. Of course, job requirements will also pull people together for the 2-3 days a week.

5g5c

5g5d (g656-203-02) There is a balance. At the moment it's too much of pushing everyone together. Has this [Round 1 Educator] ever thought that kids were probably not born to sit 30 in a classroom. Being a social creature can also cause problems.

\*\* I get a claustrophobic feeling from this section. The human animal is a social creature. To isolate large numbers of these social animals in little boxes or cubicles with an array of technological devices, so that at coffeebreak he/she sees only his/her wife/husband is appalling. Have you considered the personal and psychological (and social) aspects of this kind of work pattern where large numbers of human beings communicate only through electronic devices, ie. machines? I do much of my work at home, but not bound to a computer, or to a small space, or by isolation.

5g5d

5g5e (g656-307-02) Has this educator even worked in an office, where workers call their friends/family at every opportunity?

5g5e

5g5f This next comment from one of the Housewives in the

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first questionnaire drew some agreement from both  
researchers and other housewives: 5g5f

5g5g Round 1 Housewife: These answers may seem strange; one  
would think you would see less of acquaintances if they are  
involved in your work. To compensate, people would have new  
hobbies, etc. This would no doubt encourage new  
relationships. 5g5g

5g5h (g056-620-06) As a domestic engineer I go along with the  
above housewife. 5g5h

5g5i (g656-143-06) Only one slightly perceptive person - the  
rest are finks. 5g5i

5g6 Other respondents saw ways in which the new media would be  
able to increase the level of interaction among community  
members, partly through increasing the size of the available  
community: 5g6

## 5h Extent to Which New Acquaintances Are Made

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5h1 As with the previous question concerning the impact of these services on individuals' relationships with previous acquaintances, this question on new acquaintances generated some very interesting comments - comments whose premises were not reflected in the statistical responses.

5h1

5h2 There was a high level of agreement among the different participating groups that the widespread development and use of these services would have little effect on the number of new acquaintances that users would make. The exception was the Remote Work Center; there was a slight indication that this service might reduce the number of new acquaintances made.

5h2

5h3 Looking first at those respondents who foresaw an increase in the number of relationships developed, consider the reaction generated by these first round comments.

5h3

5h3a Round 1 Researcher: "Many more", assuming service is interactive and brings people together; otherwise, no - just like present passive TV viewing.

5h3a

5h3ai (h057-115-01) Sorry! I don't see this.

5h3ai

5h3b Round 1 Researcher: More free time, therefore interest in the community to a greater degree.

5h3b

5h3bi (h057-115-01) B.S. Interest in the community is not a function of free time.

5h3bi

5h4 These comments raise the question of the level of interaction or feeling of "participation" that these services would be able to provide. The respondents grappled with this question at a number of different levels.

5h4.

5h5 While the concept of the "video acquaintance" was raised in the first questionnaire (by the author, interested in obtaining reaction to the concept), there was little positive reaction to an interactive video capability in any of these services. The following comments expressed reservations about the type of interaction that would be possible with an interactive video capability:

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5h5a (h057-113-00) Assumption: The services are not interactive. In that case one will not make new acquaintances through the system. However: In our Conference TV experiments participants claimed to have met and felt that they got to know the people at the other end; yet when



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they met face to face, in some instances they did not recognize each other until they were introduced by name. If this is generally true it would indicate that this type of acquaintance is a different one from face to face. In f, to f, situations people who know ea, other through telecom, may have to "start over again" to get to know each other.

5h5a

5h5b (h057-505-00) I believe people would be able to make new friends with a video system, but it would not be like meeting people face-to-face, it would be rather a face-to-machine acquaintance.

5h5b

5h5c (h057-612-00) Meeting people by video acquaintances does nothing for me. This is really getting away from what people call participation.

5h5c

5h6 Other respondents pointed out that a full interactive video capability was not required for a lot of the services, and they offered alternatives that might raise the general level "interaction" perceived by the user.

5h6

5h6a (h057-115-00) What is a video acquaintance? Somebody you see on TV or somebody you interact with? If it is the second case, I agree that one would make new acquaintances, but more than you can make now through the telephone?

5h6a

5h6b (h057-141-00) New acquaintances can be made over electronic media. Face-to-face still important but sometimes not possible (ie, many new international "friends" via Conference T.V. and Computer Conferences). In this case, most of us would not have the time or resources to meet all the people we can meet via these "substitutes" or "supplements" to face-to-face travel.

5h6b

5h6c (h057-203-00) Plato system has a "talkomatic" were people who wish to talk with someone can to whom every is willing. This phenomenon could grow if the systems were designed with this in mind from the start.

5h6c

5h6d (h057-218-00) Hopefully systems like the Stanford FORUM [sic] should lead to many valuable new acquaintances and will do if the indexing of interest and work styles is properly engineered.

5h6d

5h7 Many respondents compared the nature of the acquaintances that would develop through these media and services as similar to "ham" radio acquaintanceships:

5h7

5h7a (h057-109-00) "Video acquaintances" could be like "ham

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radio" or much more profound, if private "gossip time" available at reasonable cost. 5h7a

5h7b (h057-123-00) This is a useful term which effectively makes the contrast between a video and a face-to-face acquaintance. Ham radio is an example where people become "audio" acquaintances via repeated over-the-air contact without meeting face-to-face. This is an interesting audio analogue to the "video acquaintance" concept. 5h7b

5h7c (h057-207-00) It would be interesting to study the relationships that have developed among "ham radio" buffs. 5h7c

5h7d (h057-213-00) Pen Pals, ham radio operators, etc. have all developed new acquaintances without visual contact - thus other forms will also succeed. 5h7d

5h8 Some of the respondents could see no way in which these services and their requisite media could provide them with meaningful interaction with other users. 5h8

5h8a (h057-505-00) I believe people would be able to make new friends with a video system, but it would not be like meeting people face-to-face; it would be rather a face-to-machine acquaintance. 5h8a

5h8b (h057-604-00) Also, people thrive on group activity where one becomes slightly anonymous - takes on the behaviour of the group. (Yells out loud at a ball game, Goes "skinny-dipping" at midnight.) Your "services" cannot provide such situations, and people will still "go out" to seek them. 5h8b

5h8c (h057-604-00) Easier to make-a-friend when there is a physical presence and interaction. 5h8c

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- 51 Changing Formality / Informality of Relationships 51
- 511 The statistical responses indicate that for five of the nine services, the students thought the services would lead to increasing formality of interpersonal relationships, while the other groups saw little change. The deviation of the student group is not significant, but it is again unfortunate that their comments offered no light on their reasons for their selections. 511
- 512 These panelists thought that the services would have a detrimental effect on the nature of relationships. 512
- 512a (1058-122-00) Would probably let the shy be shyer - since wont have to go outside as much, 512a
- 512b (1058-123-00) Formal relationships may be a necessary consequence of the more highly structured protocols for dialogue required by the advanced computer based systems envisioned here. 512b
- 513 Others foresaw an evolutionary period in which the services presented an immediate barrier to informal, unstructured interaction, but that attitudes and behaviours would work to make the system more convivial as they came to be used more. 513
- 513a (1058-505-00) At the beginning, most of the services would be very formal, but as they got older, I believe people would develop a more informal relationship towards them. 513a
- 513b (1658-113-00) In the case of remote work centres, the workers may become more formal because of the use of the technology, at least initially. As novelty wears off, behavior will become "normal" (as informal as face-to-face situations). 513b
- 513c (1058-307-00) Not likely. Informal life style would lead to informal relationships. 513c
- 514 The question of the level of interaction afforded by these services was reduced in most questions to the bandwidth of the medium in question. There was little consideration given (in this section at least) to the idea of using existing bandwidth capabilities more effectively to raise the level of "interaction" or presence. The following comments address the role that different bandwidths might have in determining the impact of the services in question: 514

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- 514a (1058-123-00) Gordon Thompson et al of Bell Northern Research have stressed the importance of interrupt strategies and mechanisms in remote dialogue. Face-to-face meetings are much less formal because of less restrictions on interrupts. It's bandwidth is effectively limited only by the listener's perception of such cues as facial expression, voice inflection and body language. 514a
- 514b (1058-109-00) More formal if video. Less formal if audio only. 514b
- 514c (1058-109-00) The media and their hybrids have differing effects, depending upon whether they are HI-FI or LO-FI; used in private or in conference; for "making the old" or for "making the new". 514c
- 514d (1058-118-00) I recognize the power of the telephone to permit a new kind of communication as described by McLuhan (oral-aural) but I find it difficult to extend this intimacy to T.V. Even seeing a friend on T.V. doesn't turn me on so much as hearing their voice on the blower and neither can compare with meeting and talking personally. 514d
- 515 The decentralization (of offices and residential areas) that these services would make possible would have a significant impact on the formality/informality of individual relationships, at least in the opinion of these respondents. 515
- 515a (a650-109-00) decentralization of offices can lead to reduction in levels in hierarchies, to decrease in physical and psychic stress; and to more direct relations with people involved in companies, not only formally but informally. 515a
- 515b (1058-203-00) Perhaps "urban tribes" will be created where social interaction increases within community regions with accompanying informal relations - but with more formal between communities depending on perceived psychological distance. 515b
- 515c (1058-608-00) Increasing tendency to view people as role-players. - Increasing fragmentation in personal relationships, friendships based on specific interests rather than general empathy. 515c
- 516 Finally, a number of the respondents thought the terms "formality/informality" were ill-chosen, and they suggested alternative areas for investigation: 516
- 516a (1058-106-00) I don't think "formality" and

"informality" are prime variables - what difference to they  
make? 516a

516b (1058-301-00) "Intensity" is the key noun, not  
"Formality". 516b

516c (1158-213-00) Education would become less personal, not  
necessarily less informal - the definition difference may be  
a major problem with the question. 516c

- 5j Temporary Disruption in Availability of Service 5j
- 5j1 In the feedback of the comments in the second round questionnaire, the responses were grouped according to the particular service to which they referred. This same practice will be repeated here, as an aid to the reader in following the dialogue. The following comments are those Round 1 comments which received the most discussion in the second round, as well as those Round 2 comments which introduced relevant new issues. 5j1
- 5j2 Demand Entertainment 5j2
- 5j2a Round 1 Consumerist: More babies ? 5j2a
- 5j2b Round 1 Housewife: This would be the same as when the television quits; everyone will not know what to do with themselves. 5j2b
- 5j2b1 (j059-205-06) Oh boy! 5j2b1
- 5j2c Round 1 Researcher: Ref. "The Machine Stops", by E.M. Forster.. 5j2c
- 5j2c1 (j159-115-01) What if you haven't read it? 5j2c1
- 5j2d (j059-505-00) This system would cause chaos if people became too dependent on it for making their entertainment, and if they had nothing planned for, just in case it did break down. 5j2d
- 5j2e (j059-602-00) I would hate to think that my family would become so dependent on a mechanical entertainment device, that we would not be able to entertain ourselves. I hope people would not forget how to skate, bowl, dance etc. If they do, can you see what physical shape of people would be in in a few years? 5j2e
- 5j2f (j059-604-06) I love it when the T.V. "goes" for a few days and I can read a good book, do a project, etc. 5j2f
- 5j2g (j059-616-00) A disruption of this service for any length of time could benefit some people. Two days with T.V. left our family in a void. Three weeks without T.V. brought us much closer, i.e., new games were discovered, card games were re-discovered, more friends to visit (we lived in a community that was without T.V. reception for 3 weeks). 5j2g
- 5j3 Demand Education 5j3

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- 5j3a Round 1 Educator: This is worse if the program is integrated into the schools. 5j3a
- 5j3b Round 1 Educator: "Minor consequences", if integrated with existing school curriculum. 5j3b
- 5j3c (j159-116-02) Clearly, these 2 educators are using "integrated" in different, if not opposite, senses. 5j3c
- 5j3d (j159-604-00) I don't see these services ever replacing existing one, only supplementing - so - nuisance only. 5j3d
- 5j3e (j159-218-00) Could be rather like a lobotomy. 5j3e
- 5j3f (j159-302-00) No more impact than a teacher's strike. 5j3f
- 5j3g (j159-602-00) Some people might learn more through a disruption of service. 5j3g
- 5j4 Household Information and Dedicated News 5j4
- 5j4a Round 1 Housewife: There is a disadvantage here if you depend on this household information at the time of disruption. 5j4a
- 5j4b Round 1 Researcher: Dependency on the service is what makes it critical. If there are no more repairmen (for example), and we have to dial this service for "how-to-fix-it" information, then disruption of this service is a critical event. 5j4b
- 5j4c Round 1 Housewife: This service actually is making people depend on this type of service; people tend to stick to themselves rather than go next door for help or ask someone for information. To me this is what I mean when a crisis happens you have no one to turn to if you are a stranger in a city, people don't even get to know their neighbors anymore. 5j4c
- 5j4c1 (j259-203-06) The real question is why this is happening? It is because of poor social experiences? If so how can they be made better? 5j4c1
- 5j4d (j259-505-00) It is hard enough to get help in a city; what would it be like if this system broke down. 5j4d
- 5j4e (j259-602-00) I would think my family could cope. There is always some way to get help if we look for it. 5j4e

- 5j4f Round 1 Researcher: A disruption leading to erroneous information would be the worst kind. 5j4f
- 5j4f1 (j359-116-01) Good point. Perhaps has Wells' Invasion from Mars in mind. 5j4f1
- 5j4g Round 1 Researcher: Depends on availability of alternative services. 5j4g
- 5j4g1 (j359-123-01) Yes; the monopoly control of the news media is a serious issue when it results in concentration of ownership and control. 5j4g1
- 5j5 Remote Shopping 5j5
- 5j5a Round 1 Consumerist: Once we got used to the new system, shopping and buying patterns could change significantly. 5j5a
- 5j5b Round 1 Consumerist: "No effects", unless regular stores close down, in which case major consequences. 5j5b
- 5j5b1 (j459-123-03) Only serious consequences if it disrupts shopping for essentials such as food and booze! 5j5b1
- 5j6 Remote Banking 5j6
- 5j6a Round 1 Housewife: There would be complete chaos if this type of system ever broke down. There also could be a lot more delivery of bank cards, etc.. 5j6a
- 5j6a1 (j559-307-06) One would have expected this to be true of credit cards too, but doesn't seem to have happened. 5j6a1
- 5j6a2 Round 1 Researcher: Privacy of this information is essential, or police state-type activities (for national security reasons, of course) could become widespread. 5j6a2
- 5j6b (j459-119-00) I don't think you would have a back-up system for many of these services. We could not afford both for example in the banking system. Banks do not have effective back-up systems even today. 5j6b
- 5j6c (j559-109-00) Remote banking breakdown serious but intolerable only if other access substantially reduced as a result of this new service. 5j6c



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- 5j6d (j559-111-00) I agree with those who think it would be serious, but things didn't grind to a halt in the Irish or French bank strikes, 5j6d
- 5j6e (j559-123-00) Disruptions in the accuracy or continuity/availability of banking services could be catastrophic to the commercial life of the service area affected. Remember the postal strike? 5j6e
- 5j6f (j559-203-00) It might hit stock speculators hard - but I have doubts about their contribution to society anyway. 5j6f
- 5j6g (j559-216-00) Loss of privacy, particularly if not widely known, would be much more serious. 5j6g
- 5j6h (j559-302-00) Not more chaos than in a postal strike. Creditors will have to wait. It is assumed that a "manual" systems will be on a stand-by basis. 5j6h
- 5j7 Remote Work Center 5j7
- 5j7a Round 1 Researcher: It might be the only way one could work for several employers at once, hence a breakdown could be serious. 5j7a
- 5j7a1 (j659-123-01) Very profound insight: individual worker tends to become a self-employed "freelancer" rather than a steady wage-earner. Many workers would oppose such a shift to a less stable source of income as a threat to their financial security. 5j7a1
- 5j8 Remote Medical Diagnosis 5j8
- 5j8a Round 1 Educator: "Chaos" without a back-up system, especially on medical information, 5j8a
- 5j8a1 (j259-203-02) People have brains too! If in doubt the patient will be taken to an emergency clinic. 5j8a1
- 5j8b Round 1 researcher: Not chaos, but there could be numerous deaths and aggravated illnesses and injuries. 5j8b
- 5j8b1 (j759-203-01) Disagree because I envisaged use of system in non-emergency case most frequently. People would still go to hospitals in case of emergencies, real or pretend. 5j8b1
- 5j8c Round 1 Educator: I am tempted to answer "chaos" here, except that I suspect this might be one of the first systems

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- to be installed. It is so attractive to busy doctors, Think how many more patients they will be able to service. 5j8c
- 5j8d Round 1 Educator: A rash of bad diagnoses could be fatal. 5j8d
- 5j8d1 (j759-123-02) Yes, quite literally ! 5j8d1
- 5j8e (j759-119-00) Do we know the number of bad diagnoses made by doctors today, I doubt it. 5j8e
- 5j8f (j759-123-00) This all depends on whether user come to depend on this as their sole means of health care delivery which is highly unlikely except for remote isolated communities. 5j8f
- 5j8g (j759-216-00) My opinion that disruption would be only a minor inconvenience is based on a feeling that this would not become an essential link in the chain of medical service. 5j8g
- 5j8h (j759-602-00) In most places hospital emergency wings are not too distant, and this should solve a disruption of service for those who need immediate attention. 5j8h
- 5j9 Remote Political Participation 5j9
- 5j9a Round 1 Researcher: Beneficial effects ; 5j9a
- 5j9b Round 1 Consumerist: "Chaos"; politicians might become unwilling to make decisions in the absense of remote inputs. 5j9b
- 5j9c Round 1 Educator: A breakdown might be a pleasant relief for many people! 5j9c
- 5j10 Home surveillance 5j10
- 5j10a Round 1 Researcher: Depends on nature of disruption; it could destroy validity of concept, or it could be of short time (special protection offered in interim), and of small consequence. 5j10a
- 5j10b Round 1 Housewife: Since the system would tend to enlourage reliance on home security rather than banks, etc. for valuables, a breakdown would be serious because often unnoticed. 5j10b
- 5j10c (j959-109-00) Depends on relative costs of insurance and who would pay if breakin occurred during breakdown. 5j10c

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5j10d (j959-111-00) Depends on a) length of breakdown and 2) quality of crooks' contingency planning. 5j10d

5j10e (j959-130-00) All are good comments here. "Security" must take account of what is at risk. If the surveillance system and/or backup cannot bring the decreased risk to a known and acceptable level, then it won't sell in the first place. 5j10e

5j10f Round 1 Educator: The whole thing is largely irrelevant. 5j10f

5j10f1 (j959-213-02) Agree. 5j10f1

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- 6 gr comments about different groups 6
- 6a (g056-106-03) I think the consumerists try to see impacts on other people leading them to exaggerate. 6a
- 6b (b051-301-05) I can't help wondering if the welfare workers answered the questions. In the opposite sense to that intended. Did they get an easy run of the questionnaire, or was there some mis-coding, or do they have some pathological reaction to questionnaires? Hey a new research project! 6b
- 6c (b051-109-05) Traditionally, the welfare workers specialist job is in other people's homes (must know context of their lives to give relevant advice), but the housewife's role is in her own home (a multiplicity of jobs and skills needed throughout her waking hours). 6c
- 6d (b051-109-04) The student and researcher are information hunters who seek shortcuts to the available knowledge; they also need dialogue, or "bull sessions" to organize ignorance for making new discoveries. 6d
- 6e (a650-116-04) I agree, the students' response indicate a naivety about work. 6e
- 6f (a550-301-01) The researcher is being objective. 6f
- 6g Oct. /di'nosis requires visual /tactile/aural inputs. mn dl tors? I think it's a good possibility and there is a need, hePldYQ\* %2(a550-213-01) No the difference is the housewife view of time versus the researcher.
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\*\* Banking per se takes probably no more than 30 minutes per month; the time taken to make a purchase "automatically" would probably increase. al1sbH  
%2(a550-203-01) The researcher's wife does most of the banking and spending!  
\*\* Banking per se takes probably no more than 30 minutes per month; the time taken to make a purchase "automatically" would probably increase. uTS&dR00  
%2Alternatives to a permanent steel and concrete work center were mentioned by a couple of the respondents: 12)j06  
%2(601-218-00) Another possibility are mobile work carrels & cabins - trailers or campers that a group of people could take to various sites - construction sites, recreation sites, etc. so that the workplace would be mobile. d +j06

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%2(601-218-00) Yes something like a community centre for a Public Library work & playcentre is needed.TP)AdRP:

%2Some of the researchers comments on technologies that are just around the corner, in terms of prices falling to a level competitive with alternative means of accomplishing the task:

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%2(602-218-00) It should be possible to have infor

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6h (a550-213-01) No the difference is the housewife view of time versus the researcher.

\*\* Banking per se takes probably no more than 30 minutes per month; the time taken to make a purchase "automatically" would probably increase.

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6i (a550-203-01) The researcher's wife does most of the banking and spending!

\*\* Banking per se takes probably no more than 30 minutes per month; the time taken to make a purchase "automatically" would probably increase.

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- 7 alts alternatives assumed 7
- 7a (a350-141-40) Assume that I would still continue to get news from traditional sources as well. 7a
- 7b (j159-604-00) I don't see these services ever replacing existing one, only supplementing - so - nuisance only. 7b
- 7c (j159-616-00) Could find information elsewhere. 7c
- 7d (j359-113-00) Cf. education 7d
- 7e (j359-216-00) I have tacitly assumed that other sources such as newspapers, magazines, and perhaps general news broadcasts by T.V. and radio are still available, with this assumption disruption is a minor convenience, without it a major inconvenience, but no more if only temporary. 7e
- 7f (j359-505-00) Everyone could live without this system for a short time, because they would be able to catch up on it after the service was working again. 7f
- 7g (j359-602-00) I suppose it could be vital if one depended on this service totally (e.g. a certain highway blocked, flooded etc., warning of impending storm, tornado, etc.) 7g
- 7h (j359-604-00) Nuisance only. 7h
- 7i (j459-216-00) This could be a definite inconvenience, but no more, I cannot conceive of "regular stores" closing down, although they might become more widely separated. 7i
- 7j (j459-602-00) Comparatively easy to be prepared for short emergencies. 7j
- 7k (j459-616-00) If bedroom communities had no other means of shopping could cause trouble if people had living arrangements that did not include physical on the spot purchasing. 7k
- 7l (j559-302-00) Not more chaos than in a postal strike. Creditors will have to wait. It is assumed that a "manual" systems will be on a stand-by basis. 7l
- 7m (j559-608-00) Breakdown in services 6-10 would be more serious, since users would be more dependent on them and alternate systems would require time to establish. In addition, these services deal with the user's ability to earn a living and maintain his health and belongings. 7m

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7o (j559-612-00) This is fine if the banks still run the same as they do now. With remote banking as an extra service.

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7p (j759-123-00) This all depends on whether user come to depend on this as their sole means of health care delivery which is highly unlikely except for remote isolated communities.

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Weekly report--June 23-27

1 Week of June 23 - 27: JMB

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1a I was returning from a 3 week vacation, so it took me two days to clear up my mail. JHB and I discussed work I will be doing on maintaining & updating NLS-8 documentation. We made preliminary plans for the Help Database. We planned minor changes to the TNL5-8 Primer for reprinting, which I will do next week. We reorganized the "Brief Guide to User programs in NLS-8" to reflect the recent change from a runnable program for Letter to an attachable subsystem Letter, and the projected change of the sort keys to subsystems. We deleted mention of runnable programs and sort keys, and will only add the sort keys when they become subsystems. The revised Brief Guide has gone into publication. We discussed JHB's proposal for the content of courses which deals with links and addressing; I also talked with SGR, PKA, & PAW2 about the best ways of presenting links to learners of NLS at various stages.

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2 USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from SGR

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2a I spent the first day back mostly talking to people to catch up on status of things etc. Most of the rest of the week was spent with Pam and Priscilla. We talked about how to present the basic and second courses. Pam gave the two courses to Laura Metzger (SRI-ARC) and Beth ? (SRI). I observed and then we talked about how she did. We spent some time with Jeff getting questions answered that came up in the courses. I called Jon Peterson in Albuquerque to see if they needed any training (to tack onto the Alabama trip) - they didn't so I plan to be gone only Tues. - Fri. next week.

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3 USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from RH

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3a Note: Monday and Tuesday were devoted to ARPA, mainly to the ARPA Orders which are in the final stages. As a matter-of-fact I was able to give Susan a draft of them so that she could make suggestions on improving them while she was here which was very helpful and saved a lot of time. I also spent time with Ginnie Gross, Terry Coleman and Bill Bangert. June Ludwig did a very long MRAO quite successfully which shows how well the MRAO's work since she has forgotten all her NLS training. She has the problem that is very common there, she can follow orders and instructions very well but the minute something unexpected happens, she's lost as to how to correct it. Both she (June,) Arlene, Terry and Ginnie have expressed an interest in picking up courses again which I am hoping to do. There is also a new girl on the 6th floor who could use some training, especially if the VELA project gets going. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday were spent with Susan at the Pentagon giving the Third Course.

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Weekly report--June 23-27

## 4 USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from PKA

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4a Most of Monday was spent reviewing the first course as preparation for teaching it. Did some work on the April feedback file. I will be organizing April feedback and doing the statistics on it as I did the March feedback. Tuesday through Friday were almost identical --half of each day I taught part of a course and the other half I discussed how I taught it with Susan and Priscilla. We also went over the material to be covered the following day. Two persons were in the class, Beth Sherman from SRI and Laura Metzger of ARC. I felt a sense of accomplishment after the Basic course, but realized I need to work on the way I present the second course. Working with Susan every day helped me immensely, and I appreciate the time she spent doing it.

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## 5 USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from PAW2

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5a Week of June 23-27. On Monday I began really studying the basic and second course from the trainer point of view, rather than that of the trainee. Pam and I made sort of a rough overview of them both in the morning and then in the afternoon we discussed in greater depth the second course with Sue. Tuesday morning I closely observed, taking copious notes, as Pam taught the basic course. That afternoon we went over some of the problems that did arise and discussed a few alternative approaches that might be more effective and more clearly understood. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday were spent much in the same way. Each day, half day was spent in class and the other half reviewing the courses. I had never seen a semi-structured Basic or Second course given before, not having taken the course myself, so I found this very helpful. We spent some time talking with Jeff Peters about some of the questions that came up in the classes and we tried to clear up the idea of "pie-sharing" computer time. I continued work on the final report, section on First Studies of NLS command, lining up graphs and charts on DNLs.

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6a Week of XXX: JMB

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6b USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from SGR

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6c USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from RH

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6d USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from PKA

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6e USER SERVICES WEEKLY REPORT from PAW2

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Weekly report--June 23-27

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1 32877 Distribution

1a James C. Norton, Priscilla A. Wold, Jeanne M. Beck, Pamela K. Allen, Rita Hysmith, Sandy L. Johnson,

To FEED re wrong links in five Journal citations

1 Following are the five citations (in my format). Missing digit apparently after the "J2607" string -- but, I looked in the JRNL27 file, and found that already there were items 26072, 74, and 76 there. So, it looks as though something more fundamental is wrong, since there can't be five succeeding Journal numbers that begin with 26072,.. Regards, Doug

2 G01-0546 JCN: SRI Proposal No. ISU 75-113  
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2a Comments: This is the proposal sent to AFAA in June 1975.

3 G01-0546 JCN: SRI Proposal No. ISU 75-114  
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3a Comments: This is the proposal sent to RADC in June 1975.

4 G01-0546 JCN: SRI Proposal No. ISU 75-115  
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4a Comments: This is the proposal sent to AMC in June 1975.

5 G01-0546 JCN: SRI Proposal No. ISU 75-116  
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5a Comments: This is the proposal sent to OSHA in June 1975.

6 G01-0546 JCN: SRI Proposal No. ISU 75-117  
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6a Comments: This the proposal sent to AFSDC in June 1975.

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SAMSO MOA

RBP 1-JUL-75 12:19 32880

This is a draft of the MOA required by the AFSC Form 56. I propose to send it to SAMSO for review and comments. Please review it and let me know if it meets with your approval. BOBBIE - please be sure that Dick Nelson sees it.

SAMSO MOA

1 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT 1

2 RADC/IS & SAMSO/DYT 2

3 ON 3

4 PROJECT 5550, ADVANCED COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY 4

5 I. PURPOSE: The purpose of the Memorandum of Agreement MOA is to  
define the working relationship between SAMSO/DYT and RADC/IS  
personnel pertaining to Project 5550, Advanced Computer Technology. 5

6 II. TERMS OF AGREEMENT: 6

6a A. Effective Date: This MOA is effective upon approval by the  
Commander, SAMSO and the Commander, RADC. It shall continue in  
effect unless changed, superseded or terminated. Changes must be  
mutually agreeable and cancellation will take place by direction  
in the Project 5550 AFSC Form 56 or PMD. 6a

6b B. Offices of Prime Responsibility: RADC/ISI and SAMSO/DYT  
are the OPR's for this MOA. Points of contact shall be  
established at each of these offices as focal points for  
communication and inquiries. 6b

6c C. Annual Review: This MOA will be reviewed at least annually  
by each OPR. It will only be revised by mutual consent of the  
signatures and RADC/ISI will be responsible for updating the MOA  
accordingly. 6c

6d D. Funding: Funding for efforts in support of this MOA will  
be forwarded from RADC by Procurement Directive or Obligation  
Authority. 6d

7 III Policy: The undersigned desire that the personnel of each  
organization work together efficiently, effectively and productively.  
It is intended that this agreement promote a spirit of cooperation and  
mutual understanding on the part of all SAMSO and RADC personnel. 7

8 IV SCOPE OF RADC/IS RESPONSIBILITIES: RADC has total  
responsibility and authority for all aspects of Project 5550 and  
will: 8

8a A. Review task write-ups submitted by SAMSO as candidates for  
inclusion in project 5550, determine appropriateness as advanced  
development, request a briefing on each task as required, and  
determine priorities when compared with other work in the project.  
Inform SAMSO of results. 8a



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8b B. Review each technology need submitted by SAMSO in the information processing area, determine appropriateness of each need for inclusion in Project 5550, mutually determine with DYT the priority of each need. RADC will then examine the needs relative to other proposed efforts and inform SAMSO of the results.

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8c C. Determine, by mutual agreement, which organization will be responsible for the task/effort from technical, administrative and procurement standpoints.

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8d D. Provide assistance in statements of work preparation and proposal evaluations for Project 5550 efforts to be mutually agreeable on an individual basis.

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8e E. Keep SAMSO advised of all significant meetings which involve the areas of responsibility for which assistance is or may be requested.

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8f F. Provide SAMSO with all necessary general administrative documentation and other technical data necessary for the proper performance of its function.

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9 V SCOPE OF SAMSO/DYT RESPONSIBILITIES: SAMSO/DYT will:

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9a A. Prepare candidate task write-ups for Project 5550 and forward them to RADC for review in a timely manner and brief tasks as requested by RADC.

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9b B. Review SAMSO TN's, identify potential Project 5550 efforts, and be prepared to discuss each effort individually and assign priority to each one.

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9c C. Act as point of contact for each effort requiring Aerospace Corp. support.

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9d D. Provide assistance in statements of work preparation and proposal evaluations for Project 5550 efforts to be mutually agreeable on an individual basis.

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9e E. Review Project 5550 program and identify specific efforts, which by modification, could prove to be of benefit to SAMSO.

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10 VI COORDINATION: Both RADC/IS and SAMSO/DYT have a responsibility to keep the other informed in a timely manner of program status, progress, and changes as they occur, particularly in those areas which may have a bearing or influence on the other party's exercise of its mission. The RADC/IS and SAMSO/DYT will coordinate on an "as required" basis. Visits or direct verbal

communication to contractors of either organization will be coordinated in advance through the applicable OPR.

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NLS Application Description (Ref your memo)

I cannot comment on the document because I can't see it (also can't see the WUC you sent). When I did a "print journal" my line started acting up, and when I later loaded journal and printed I apparently lost the links you put in. Can you re-send (or tell me how to restore the links)?

The topics of the papers I am (/was/will) writing with Loraine are as follows:

Interview Guide for TRAIDEX interviews

List of information to be obtained prior to interviews

Paper (for professional publication) on the catalog of non-DOD information resources. (This is temporarily in limbo).

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NLS Application Description (Ref your memo)

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## Notes on a talk with Glenn Sherwood about teleconferencing

1 Rob Lieberman and I recently talked with Glenn Sherwood. He mentioned to both of us that he had given up on teleconferencing. For one thing, SRI has evidenced little need for teleconferencing, and he is busy with things that SRI really wants. Also he said that he had gotten no response from QWAC (only Bedford replied to Glenn's questionnaire) or from ARC. 1

2 Glenn's lost interest is disappointing. Several clients, especially Ron Uhlig, have expressed strong interest in having teleconferencing available to them, and teleconferencing has also been high on ARC's list of desired services. 2

3 Lost interest is disappointing in another way too. We had been looking toward teleconferencing as being the first system nucleated out of ARC. Although Kirk's documentation group is outside of ARC, Kirk had got things going here. 3

4 I would like to suggest a course of action to get teleconferencing moving. I suggest that somebody in ARC (I would be happy to do it), approach Ron Uhlig for money to do a preliminary study. The cost would be \$5,000 to \$15,000. In this study, ARC would examine alternatives for providing teleconferencing and take positive steps toward integrating a system into NLS. The end result of the project would be a set of specific alternatives for QWAC to examine and, hopefully, to fund. 4

5 One alternative would be to bring in FORUM. FORUM has two main advantages. First it is available and good, so that we could begin with a useful system. Second, FORUM is quite similar to NLS in its command structure. If we did bring in FORUM, we would do this only for a year or so. After that we would almost certainly want a from-scratch NLS teleconferencing system embodying the capabilities of FORUM and our own "bootstrapping" insights. 5

6 In effect, we would use FORUM as an experience builder so that we could evolve a system of our own in a coherent, proper evolutionary way. FORUM could give us a system with which to examine teleconferencing, and we could use it to expedite other nucleation efforts. In the work to be proposed, we would negotiate for FORUM service at Office-1 and also examine whether we could modify its file structure to allow normal NLS jumping. 6

7 We would examine one other alternative -- the building of a de novo teleconferencing system in NLS. Here, the advantage would be closer integration into NLS, although perhaps at the cost of some time lag and greater initial expense to the KWAC community. In the work to be proposed, we would explore whether our file structure will let us do the immediate-access things needed in teleconferencing and we would project costs for building such a system. 7

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8 If you wish, I will be happy to prepare a proposal-draft for Ron Unlig or other potential funders of a teleconferencing system.

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David A. Potter  
Educational Testing Service  
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NLS at ETS

APPLICATION DESCRIPTION: ETS  
(Educational Testing Service, Princeton)

## Introduction

NLS (On-Line System) is a text-editing, dialog-support, and communications system developed and managed by the Augmentation Research Center at Stanford Research Institute. It provides users with a state-of-the-art tool for document production, communication, and information management and retrieval.

Use of NLS at ETS grew initially out of access to the system provided as a part of a research contract with ARPA (Advanced Research Projects Agency), an arm of the Department of Defense. Brian McNally, a research assistant on the ARPA Project, was the first active ETS user; all of his NLS work revolved around the ARPA Project.

In addition to ARPA use, David Potter in October, 1974 began to use the system as a support tool for project and proposal-related document production and control. His use of the system grew until by January of this year he was using the system for virtually all of his clerical support, and had gained sufficient expertise in its use to assume the role of system Architect at ETS. As the Architect, he began to build a group of other ETS users and to develop system applications that would allow ETS to fully exploit the system's capabilities.

Full support of the system came from ARPA for the first six months of the current fiscal year. In January of this year, an agreement was reached whereby ARPA and ETS would share the costs, resulting in a 50-50 split for the remaining six months of the current fiscal year (ARPA \$10,000; ETS \$10,000). Discussions with ARPA are underway to determine the feasibility and desirability of continuing this arrangement through the next fiscal year; regardless of the outcome of these discussions, however, the use of NLS at ETS has grown to a level at which even full ETS support would seem desirable and could be justified on a cost-effectiveness basis.

This paper reviews the progress made over the past six months toward the development at ETS of an active NLS user group. The intent is to document the uses to which NLS is currently being put, in order to enable ETS to effectively evaluate its usefulness.

Currently, NLS is being put to three major uses at

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ETS: document production and correspondence; data base construction and management, including bibliographies; and instrument construction.

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The following descriptions include application strategies, generalizable descriptions of the specific uses of NLS, and a content specific description of the work being done.

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#### Correspondence

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Correspondence is written in the usual manner using NLS editing functions. The output is intended for non-NLS users, and therefore must be formatted for hardcopy printing. The formatting was done manually until recently when a special program was written called ETSMEMO (currently in directory <meyer>).

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#### Document Production

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Document production involves everything from writing an initial outline through the production of camera-ready copy. It includes composition (creative and formatting), editing, and revising, as well as the production and review of intermediate working copies. NLS is well-suited to all phases of this process; the application descriptions below summarize several examples. Of particular interest is the work of Walton's group on a Report on Health Planning.

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#### Data Base Management

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Several users are utilizing NLS as an information management and retrieval tool. This capability is particularly useful in building bibliographic data bases which may be explored interactively as well as being readily updated; again, the application description below contain several examples.

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#### CBI Data Base (Anastasio, Sinnott; ARPA support)

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The CBI (Computer Based Instruction) community is planning to use an NLS data base of literature in CBI. Lorraine Sinnott is continuing the entry of citations in a data base that is to be searched by keyword, author, titleword, and the usual NLS search functions. This may be done with the catalog production programs --- the data base was started using the tagged field format necessary for the programs. The following is a sample entry from this data base:

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(CBI1) \*a1 Marian H. Beard \*a2 Paul V. LortOn \*a3  
 Barbara W. Searle \*a4 Richard C. Atkinson #2 org #3 #4  
 #5 Stanford, California 94305 \*b2 Stanford University #3  
 \*c1 Comparison of Student Performance and Attitude Under  
 Three Lesson-Selection Strategies in CAI #1 #6 16p. \*d1  
 31 December 1973 \*f1 r \*p1 Optimization and Instruction  
 Theory Application #1 Richard C. Atkinson #3  
 (415)321-2300 #4 Dept. of Psychology #5 Stanford,  
 California 94305 \*s1 ARPA #1 ONR #7 22212 \*w4 \*y1 \*y4 #1  
 #2 #3 #4 \*z3 new \*

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Report on Health Planning (Walton, Fortna, et al; HEW, Region  
 2 support)

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A large report concerned with the technical assistance  
 needs of the Public Health Service is being written in part  
 through NLS. The project will discuss the public Law  
 requirements for a Center for technical Assistance to the  
 Health Service. The report must be written with input and  
 review from several geographically distributed  
 contributors. Thus, NLS will be ideally suited to the  
 numerous revisions that will be collected initially via  
 phone conversations with Barbara Esser, who is supervising  
 the report preparation.

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Len Swanson has developed and implemented a number of  
 interesting applications:

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1. Committee selection (internal P/J)

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The system is being used to record and maintain  
 information on people who are being considered for  
 membership on a committee. The names were originally  
 entered from notes and memos suggesting nominees. After  
 sorting the names, addresses and information about each  
 nominee were entered. Periodically additional  
 information was added. The aggregate list was then  
 printed so that several people could "rate" the nominees  
 and select their top choices. The consensus of these  
 choices were then culled from the original file and put  
 into a second file, which will be used to record  
 expanded biographical data and prepare a summary report  
 listing the desired names in order of selection.

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## 2. Mailing List (ARPA support)

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Len Swanson is about to use the system to enter a 700 name mailing list and sort it (geographically) in order to remove duplicates. The result will be used to prepare mailing labels for distribution of project reports, and to produce listings of subsets of names. He expects to maintain the mailing list on OFFICE-1 (i.e., to add to it and make address changes).

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## 3. Book (misc.)

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Len and two associates are beginning work on a textbook, and they expect to use the system, at least in part, for preparation of the text. Len has entered a topical outline, with notes; they will subsequently divide the list of chapters and work independently on each, but with review, comments, and modifications by the other two authors.

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## 4. Report (internal P/J)

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Len has used the system to prepare several working documents and one (brief) formal report. The report was prepared in several stages, with intermediate external review. The first step was to enter the topics (sections and subsections) and basic content. He next wrote sections (at random) as they occurred to him. After two editings and one restructuring of the file it was prepared for output and distribution. The result is now being reviewed and will probably be further modified before final printing.

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## 5. Joint Papers (ARPA support)

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Lorraine Sinnott and Len Swanson are working on three documents which they expect to prepare jointly. Initial drafts of each have been entered by Len, and Lorraine will modify them and/or suggest changes through the system. These papers include an interview guide for TRAIDEX interviewers, a list of information to be obtained prior to interviews, and a paper on the catalog of non-DOD information resources.

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6. TRAIDEX scratch pad (information management; ARPA support)

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Len has created a file to maintain miscellaneous information related to one of his projects. The file contains a list of key people (with addresses and phone numbers) related to the project, a bibliography of relevant reports and documents, a set of notes on various phases of the project, and a list of project milestones and date-related events.

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Sex Differences and Discrimination in Education Data Base (Harris, Ekstrom, Lockheed; internal P/J)

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Currently 470 bibliographic citations extracted from other more general data bases have been entered in a single file for searching using the standard NLS search functions, particularly content filters. Searching is done by author, titlewords, journal, date, and the other elements of a standard bibliographic entry (Psychological Abstracts Format).

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[Citation sample:] Abel, H. And Sahenkaya, R. Emergence of sex and race friendship preferences. CHILD DEVELOPMENT, 1962, Vol. 33, 939-943.

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Abstracts are available and it is planned to enter them in a separate file linked to the appropriate citation in the bibliography. This would form the basis of a free text search and retrieval function on the abstracts.

9b

Volunteer Activities of Women data Base (Harris, Lockheed, Ekstrom; FIPSE support)

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This bibliographic data base of 34 items is part of a study to evaluate and analyze the volunteer activities of women to establish a means of assigning academic credit to those activities.

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Teacher Behavior Research (Potter; internal P/J)

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Online Teacher Behavior Data Base

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David Potter is working in the area of educational assessment, developing evaluative tools and instruments for the assessment of teacher behavior in the public schools. The methodologies are sociometric and involve various techniques common to social psychology, e.g., shadowing, case studies, interviews, and questionnaires -- the latter using the online index.

11a1

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The online index is a structured list of statements that describe the behavior of teachers in the classroom. It is based on the "Florida Catalog of Teacher Competencies".

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The index is accessed through a locator modeled after the Locator in Userguides at Office-1. It is not limited to teacher behavior, and includes additional top level headings such as Pupil Level, Object of Change, etc., and Teacher Behavior. Each of the 8 categories has lower level headings such as Developing Personal Skills, Performing Administrative Duties, etc. The next level contains more specific behavior categories such as Accepting Responsibility, Confering with Parents, Motivating /Reinforcing Students, and so on.

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## Instrument Development

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The online teacher behavior data base described above is being used by Potter to develop questionnaires, rating scales, and other instruments to be used in his Job Analysis of Teaching project. Use of the system in this manner has allowed working copies of these instruments to be produced quickly and efficiently, which enables him to make much better use of outside review than is the case when each instrument -- and all revisions thereof -- must be typed separately.

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Example of question item with scale (instructions are added to the beginning of each questionnaire of course):

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## [Heading =] PLANNING INSTRUCTION

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## 8. Selecting and specifying goals, aims, and objectives

Time Teachers					Hours/
SHOULD Spend	.....	.....	.....	.....	Month

Time Teachers					Hours/
DO Spend	.....	.....	.....	.....	Month

Time					Hours/
YOU Spend	.....	.....	.....	.....	Month
	0	10	20	30	40

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Directives are used in the questionnaires and are inserted manually due to the highly structured nature of the questionnaire. One difficulty is encountered in the

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use of the directive ,Plexnum; which will number every statement in a plex sequentially, e.g., 1. 2.... This is perfect for questionnaires except for the fact that all the questions are not in one plex. The headings ("Planning Instruction" in the above case) are logically at a higher level, yet the questions they subsume must be numbered from the beginning of the questionnaire. This limitation has been circumvented by putting the headings of other questionnaires at a level below the questionnaire items.

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Other Questionnaires are constructed from the locator using different scales. For example, the respondents are asked to rate the importance of each category:

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8. Selecting and specifying goals, aims, and objectives 11b4a

Not at all    1        2        3        4        5        Extremely  
Important.....|.....|.....|.....|.....|.....Important

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The Work Diary, also created from the locator category list, is best described by including the instructions for the respondent:

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"This work diary is intended to help us understand how you spend your time as a teacher -- that is, how is your time distributed across the 44 teaching tasks listed below? We would like you to fill this form out three times a day: (1) around noon, to tell us how you spent the morning; (2) at the end of the school day, to describe the afternoon; and (3) around the end of the evening, so we can find out what job-related tasks you've been working on since the end of the school day. [check the appropriate category:]

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[Example:] PERFORMING ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES 11b5a1

23.-----Supervising aides, tutors, etc. 11b5a1a

24.-----Arranging physical environment 11b5a1b

(There are 44 statements total in the questionnaire under approximately 12 headings.) 11b5a1c

The Critical Incident Record Form (Type I) uses an open ended questionnaire design that when generated from NLS allows the reiteration of the instrument design to proceed without re-keying the highly formatted pages (produced by manually inserted directives). Example of instructions and questionnaire item: 11b6

"Think back over a period of time (six months or so) long enough for you to have observed the activities of all your teachers. Focus your attention on any one thing that one of your teachers may have done which made you think of him/her as an outstandingly good or very effective teacher. In other words, think of a critical incident which has added materially to the overall success of your school or department. please do not record any names of persons involved in the following incident.

What were the general circumstances leading up to this incident?" 11b6a

Document Composition and Production 11c

Potter has for some months been doing virtually all of his writing on the system. This has included proposals, reports, letters, and memoranda. 11c1

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## General Comments:

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The ETS architect's general intent is, at least in part, the augmentation of clerical functions. It may be that additional capabilities have been added that would take an unreasonably large task force of clerical personnel, and therefore would not have been accomplished outside of an augmented knowledge workshop. The typing of questionnaires with scales is laborious at best, while the repetitive functions can be easily accomplished in NLS. The job would become odious if there were numerous revisions necessitating complete retyping of the questionnaires each time. This editing augmentation is extended beyond the traditional word processing systems when the data bases, locator, and automatic generation of special subsets are considered.

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In sum, ETS's application includes questionnaire production and bibliographic storage, search and retrieval, in addition to the usual functions of communication, and document composition and production.

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## REQUEST FOR ARC PROGRAMMING ASSISTANCE

## 1 REQUEST FOR ARC PROGRAMMING ASSISTANCE:

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1a Jim, I would like some programming/design assistance in initiating and developing a simple-minded usersubsystem. My experience to date has exposed several common functions among current and potential users of NLS, simply put they consist of building a data base, updating it, accessing it, and occasionally producing reports from it. What I have in mind is getting some competent programmer who can help me consider the various alternatives available and assist me in initiating a usersubsystem that I can develop further on my own once I learn how. I think if I could get help for say one day per week for 4-8 weeks I could be well on my way. I have two different charge numbers that could be used to support the needed systems programmer... suffice to say I'm flexible with regards to any arrangements you and Dick Watson consider necessary.

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1b The Commercial and Industrial Marketing group (CIM) of DRO is coming on board very soon, which complements DRO's PDG government marketing effort rather nicely, and the initial cut of the usersubsystem would be to support them. The specifications for the CIM groups pilot study are currently being developed so the following descriptions are necessarily a little vague.

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1c Functionally what I had in mind are Processes within a usersubsystem such as :

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1c1 INPUT : a single looping command that would prompt an operator to enter the various data items needed for the addition of a unit of data to the data base formatting the entered data as specified. Perhaps the option of an Interrogate switch as well, so that once familiar with the sequence, the operator can skip the prompts. Again, once this is operational adapting such a command for other applications should be relatively easy...and Fast which is most important.

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1c2 STATUS : a command that would allow a operator to enter a date and then scan the data base at the appropriate level comparing data dates, such as action due dates, with the status date and take some action. Retrieve comes to mind of course, but the action possible is limited, showing the particular data unit may be all thats needed. The intent of this command, for that matter the whole idea of this usersubsystem, is to simplify the interface with application-specific users by providing specialized commands, with just enough flexibility to do their jobs. Since for the most part its a familar task being done a new way, the simpler the better...the options with this command should provide the needed flexibility.

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1c3 SORT : a command that would allow sorting of a complete branch keying on data items at various levels within that branch. This has been requested before and would provide an order of magnitude more power.

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1c4 MISC : Other commands such UPDATE for controlled appending of data, REPORT for formatting pretty prints or FORMATTER to read a file and reformat according to specifications would also be useful, but for now I think you get the flavor of where I want to start...and that's exactly what I need, some help to get a running start.

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1d I hope to hear from you soon, Thanks Glenn

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