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Shaking down the basic course: re--31817,>

I'll mail a marked-up hardcopy of the course to roetter at sri (U.S.mail). No changes serious enough to need to discuss. Incidentally, how is the second course coming along? I can make you guys an XGP copy.

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JMB 7-FEB-75 12:26 31825

shaking down the basic course: re--31817,>

(J31825) 7-FEB-75 12:26;;; Title: Author(s): Jeanne M. Beck/JMB;
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File Transfer questions--for my own purposes & for users' questions

Is FTP an efficient way to transfer NLS files between sites? 1

Can it transfer whole directories which include more than one
extension type of files? Or, if not, can you do
<directory>*.txt;* and then
<directory>*.print;* etc.? 2

If the answer to any of the above is yes, can you tell me where I can
find documentation to learn how to do FTP? 3

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File transfer questions--for my own purposes & for users' questions

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Attachment A-ELF Equipment List from GS-00C-00372,

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MODEL	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	PRICE		78
MAINTENANCE					78a
(each)	8 12 16				79
MINIMUM ELF CONFIGURATION					80
					81
(**PDP 11/40 CPU with 48K of core**)					82
					83
11/40=BK	11/40 CPU with 16K word	1	17650	127 144	84
160					85
Parity core memory,					86
serial LA30 DECwriter					87
and control and cabinet					88
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MF11=UP	16K word parity core	1	6300	27 30 33	90
memory and control with					91
expansion up to 32K					92
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MM11=UP	16K word Parity	1	5600	27 30 33	94
expander core memory					95
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KE11=E	11/40 Option for signed	1	1295	11 12 14	97
integer,multiply,divide					98
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KW11-L	Line Frequency Clock, When	1	270	3	3	4	100
	enabled, interrupts every						101
	16.67 milliseconds						102
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BM873-YA	Restart/Loader bootstrap	1	400	2	2	2	104
	for paper tape, disks,						105
	magnetic tape, DECTape,						106
	and cassette						107
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KT11-D	Memory Management Option	1	2480	21	23	26	109
	permits access to 124K						110
	of core and provides						111
	protection						112
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	(**Asynchronous Multiplexor with Modem Control**)						114
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DH11-AD	16-Line Programmable	1	6000	25	28	30	116
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DU11-DA	Full/Half Duplex	2	900	5	6	6	147
	Synchronous Interface for						148
	Use with Bell 200 Series						149
	Modems						150
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KG11-A	Communications Arithmetic	1	900	6	6	6	152
	Option						153
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TA11-AA	Dual cassette transport	1	2990	38	43	48	155
	and control unit						156
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DD11-B	Peripheral Mounting Panel	2	185				158
	Includes UNIBUS Connector						159
	module-M920						160
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BA11-FD	Cabinet Converter for	1	2100	5	5	5	162
	H960D cabinet, Provides 9						163
	additional System Unit Space						164
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OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT THAT SOME LABS MAY REQUIRE FOR ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENTAL WORK OR TO MEET LOCAL REQUIREMENTS (QUANTITIES MAY VARY) 210

(**Optional Synchronous Interfaces**) 213

DQ11-DA Synchronous Interface 1 2800 24 27 30 215
 For NPR to 10000 BPS 216

DQ11-AB LRC or CRC Error 1 1300 12 218
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DQ11-BB	Program Character	1	900	12	221
	Recognition (protocol)				222
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	(**Optional Storage Devices**)				224
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TC11-GA	1st Dual Transport	1	8700	45 51 57	226
	and Controller for DECTape				227
	Expandable to a total of				228
	4 TU56 dual transports				229
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RK11-DE	First Drive and controller	1	11000	106 120	231
	134				232
	for RK05 DECpack disks,				233
	Expandable to a total of				234
	8 RK05 DECpack disks				235
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PC11	300cps Paper Tape	1	3900	38 43 48	237
	reader and 50 cps paper				238
	Tape punch				239
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roger, Here are the numbers I promised you. The tabs are kind of messed up but I'm hoping you or Bobbie can sort them out--=bill,

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The following is a breakout of the 63728f dollars as I see it. If you have any heartburn let me know. The totals are based on the numbers the peg came up with last eek, and I've added a new task as an overceiling item. It's called "interoperability technology" and will deal with developing software and techniques to make systems play with each other. I have included multisource data fusion in this project as the first task but if it doesn't go we can fold it back into 5550. I also folded requirements analysis into s/w technology.

2

I just found out that the peg wants us to fund the AF part of the Army's Advanced Hybrid Computer System (AHCS) out of 63728, and that's what the increases in fy77 and 78 are for,

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The tasks listed beelow are as follows: 5550/1=Software technology, 5550/3=architecture, 5550/2= security, 2108= WWMCCS and "AHCS"=AHCS; "IT"=interoperability technology. The 5550 and 2108 numbers are president's budget thru fy78 and peg after that since the outyear budget figures are out of line. The AHCS numbers are an addon by the peg. The interoperability figures are mine.

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proj/task	fy76	fy77	fy77	fy78	fy79	fy80
5550/1	3.2	.8	4.7	7.5	7.5	7.5
5550/3	.5	.3	1.3	1.6	2.0	2.0
5550/2	.3	.1	0/.3	.5	1.0	1.0
5550 tot	4.0	1.2	6.5	9.6	10.5	10.5
2108	0	0	0	1.0	1.5	1.5
AHCS	0/.7	0/.2	.9	.2/.1	0	0
IT	0	0	0/.5	0/1.0	0/1.5	0/1.5
totals	4/.7	1.2/.2	7.4/.8	10.8/1	12/1.5	12/1.5

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Note that security comes back. That is based on an ESD requirement for the c3 lab. We'll probably have to sort it out later,

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(J31829) 10-FEB-75 10:17;;; Title: Author(s): William W.
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NIC; Clerk: WWP2; Origin: < PATTERSON, FUNDS,NLS;1, >, 10-FEB-75
10:09 WWP2 ;;;####;

Tentative Agenda for KWAC Meeting

DCE, JCN, JHB : After incorporating all of the feedback I've received, here is a list of topics to be addressed and a tentative agenda. I'll wait for some additional feedback from you before sending it out. Frank

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AGENDA Tentative Agenda for KWAC Meeting	2
Mon: holiday	2a
Tue:	2b
A.M. Introductory remarks	2b1
Doug Engelbart, Jim Norton, etc. & KWAC'ers.	2b1a
P.M. SRI News	2b2
ARC Development	2b2a
The NSW and NLS: Implications for the NLS User Community	2b2a1
ARC Applications	2b2b
Discussion of support that Applications can and is planning to provide.	2b2b1
Plans for further expansion of the user community	2b2b2
ARC User Development	2b2c
Discussion of User Development, its role, and ideas about the service that can be provided:	2b2c1
Training: review courses(?), explain the design and plan	2b2c2
User programs operation and training	2b2c3
The amount of service to be provided	2b2c4
the difference between training and user assistance	2b2c5
The Feedback service operation and how much should architects intercept, and how direct inquiries to Feedback can be coordinated with the architects.	2b2c6
ARC Marketing	2b2d
Marketing definition, plans and strategy (RLI)	2b2d1

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Analysis, needs and possibilities	2b2d2
Special ARC involvements, such as NSF (DCE), the DPCS (DVN)	2b2e
Wed:	2c
A.M. show-tell-share session	2c1
P.M. Continue the session; Possibly begin workshops on Special Problems	2c2
Thu:	2d
A.M. Dialogue between DCE and Architects. This should be, in part, directed by the events of Wednesday.	2d1
P.M. Meeting other communities including Bill English (Xerox Parc) and potential/actual users of NLS	2d2
Fri:	2e
A.M. Visit to Xerox PARC (if feasible)	2e1
P.M. Workshops on Special Problems, Hardware demo's (if feasible), Continuing dialogue with ARC personnel, training in DNLS for those who want it	2e2
TOPICS To be addressed during the week	3
Getting Acquainted	3a
New Sites: Who/Where are they? What are they doing? When/Why are they coming on?	3a1
Old Sites: Something like the new sites plus last 6 months in review	3a2
Newsletter Revisited: Put one out as "meeting notes" so we will publish at least one issue this time around	3a3
Integrating NLS into local site operations.	3b
For those sites willing to share experiences, what does effective NLS use require in terms of people support, documentation support, hardware support (e.g., hi-quality printers, cassettes,..), etc.	3b1
Improving the Effectiveness of KWAC	3c

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- Given: The effect of KWAC on development of NLS is nearly ZERO, Pros and Cons anyone? 3c1
- Future NLS expansion & to what degree can KWAC affect this? 3c2
- Potential system additions desired by KWAC collectively 3c3
- Each of us are probably doing things of interest to others (e.g., writing User programs, coordinating the production of documents, etc.) Can we take another crack at establishing a better mechanism for information exchange? 3c4
- There is also the old problem of establishing user idents and possibly getting them validated for one directory or another. And then, I imagine one must remove idents from time to time. Why can't the local Architect be responsible for this? 3c5
- Improving the Effectiveness of Office=1 3d
- How SRI-ARC might better improve communications with the community. 3d1
- At any given time, one may encounter difficulty in determining what is at Office=1, what will be available, and what is going away. Suggestions? 3d2
- Documentation: status, needs, and plans 3d3
- POLICY/MANAGEMENT/OPERATION of OFFICE=1 3e
- Offquota login policy 3e1
- usage statistics 3e2
- Improved access to NLS (e.g., via a commercial net) 3e3
- Is "terminal like" access enough? 3e3a
- How do we get existing information into NLS? Out of NLS into existing systems? 3e3b
- DEX over the Net (& how it compares to having very large buffers available in your TIP,ANTS,ELF or whatever) 3e3c
- DEX through TIPS= Problems and Remedies 3e3d
- Alternative pricing schemes: For example, plans for payment by usage (instead of slots) 3e4

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Expansion of Office-1 facilities	3e5
For example, can a teleconferencing package be made available.	3e5a
Resolution of severe problems	3e6
ARPANET Problems and potential solutions	3e7
Office-2	3e8
Miscellaneous	3f
Equipment demo - local vendors and their wares. Have vendors bring in equipment for demo, particularly printers.	3f1
Specific Problems	3g
My own involve integrating NLS into our local site operations and using NLS to cooperatively produce documents (where the cooperators are geographically dispersed and have varying degrees of expertise in NLS). If you all will send me additional topics, I'll try and work up some sessions to discuss them in.	3g1
The Applications of NLS or Beyond Text Editing	3h
talks of specialized use of NLS by some architects	3h1

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(J31830) 10-FEB-75 12:33;;; Title: Author(s): Frank G.
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these are my sendmsgs from 1 dec 74 through 7 feb 75,

8-FEB-75 1219-PST DSMITH: the reason why!
 Distribution: GILBERT, dsmith
 Received at: 8-FEB-75 12:19:59

john: i have been going through vu-graphs preparing for gen deane
 and
 i discovered the reason for our inability to produce at desired
 level,
 here is an excerpt from 1968 growth plan for almsa*

gs-16	1
15	15
14	51
13	289
12	398
11	94
2-10	251
total	1099

that was projection for 1971. the 1973 projection only went up to
 1297.

i really feel this info should be treated with utmost confidence
 so i'm
 not putting it into any file other than jcg's (gilbert that
 is).lux

8-FEB-75 1015-PST DSMITH: not much of anything
 Distribution: GILBERT, dsmith
 Received at: 8-FEB-75 10:15:24

just thought i'd let you know how things have deteriorated, i'm
 in the
 office on saturday afternoon - wonder what you're doing HMMMMMM?
 drop me a line - expect to be around 'til about 1700. lux

7-FEB-75 1420-PST FARBBER at USC-ISIA: RE: PACKAGE
 Distribution: GILBERT AT OFFICE-1
 Received at: 7-FEB-75 14:23:02

JOHN,
 I HAVE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF SENDING YOU SOME
 DOCUMENTS ON SOME INTERESTING STUFF THAT WE
 ARE DOING AT CFG,
 DAVE
 P.S. THE TERMINAL STUFF IS COMING SOON

7-FEB-75 1414-pst TAYLOR: "An Informal Meeting" ---from Dr. dell
 Distribution: GILBERT, taylor
 Received at: 7-FEB-75 14:14:19

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John,

I would like to have an 'off-the-record' and private conversation with you, at our earliest mutual inconvenience,...at some appropriate secluded spot --> "HERNANDOS HIDAWAY" ??? <== with appropriate refreshments available,

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please call, or SNDMSG to TAYLOR@OFFICE of an appointed time to call you,

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..... /s/Floyd A. Odell, [via The Sorcerer's Apprentice]
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6-FEB-75 2040-PST TAYLOR at OFFICE-1: BRL Phone lines ----
Distribution: UHLIG AT OFFICE-1, GILBERT AT OFFICE-1, CIANFLONE AT OFFICE-1, MITCHELL AT OFFICE-1, DSMITH AT OFFICE-1, LEISHER AT OFFICE-1, taylor
Received at: 6-FEB-75 20:40:17

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...hey all your out there in 'network' land... we found some possible trouble with one of our "modems". It was taken off the system Thurs afternoon. It will be under repair tomorrow (Friday) am and returned to service as soon as possible...
----> STAN TAYLOR--BRL

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6-FEB-75 2034-PST TAYLOR: Wednesday's Link to you --- copy of msg odell to uhlig
Distribution: GILBERT, taylor
received at: 6-FEB-75 20:34:16

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John,--
Your note to me about your experience with nls is most gratifying to me,...as you might expect. I am using it for local ammunition at the brl, since Dr. Eichelberger is expressing anxieties .. of late,

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...About the extra pages in your directory... I will 'start' the wheels rolling -- probably tomorrow,

7b

I may need some back-up from you, to get approval to attend the meeting

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at SRI, that Ron is going to attend... I have rather strong feelings that I should be there! Dr. Odell sent the message noted below to Ron

late today...he had read your note to me, and ron's journal article

relative to the agenda for the 'KWAC' meeting at SRI,
6-FEB-75 12:59:29,588

Date: 6 FEB 1975 1259-PST

From: TAYLOR

Subject: DR,ODEL REPLY REF: STEERING COMMITTEE

To: UHLIG

cc: TAYLOR

7c

RON,

DO NOT REQUEST AMC APPROVAL FOR MEETING. ODELL PHONING MEMBERS AGAIN, "NEW SUBJECT"

-----REF: KWAC MEETING.....18 FEB. FF

"I AM SURE YOU WILL WANT TO CONSULT WITH ME EARLIST..... RELATIVE TO POLICY ISSUES AND IMPLICATIONS ALONG WITH RAMIFICATIONS. "A PROPHET'S

HONOR DEPENDS UPON HIS TIMING --- GREETINGS FROM JOHN THE BAPTIST"

----- FLOYD A ODELL, CHAIRMAN AMC STEERING COMMITTEE

----IN THE FASHION OF THE INDIANS....'UGH'

.... ---

...I hope the message is not lost in the 'humor'(?)

-----Stan

7d

6-FEB-75 1909-PST DSMITH: CLEANUP OF YOUR INITIALS FILE

Distribution: DSMITH, gilbert

received at: 6-FEB-75 19:09:05

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PER JOHN GILBERT'S MESSAGE OF EARLIER TODAY, I HAVE CLEANED UP YOUR INITIALS FILE. ALL YOUR JOURNAL DOCUMENTS SHOULD GO INTO THE SAME BRANCH FROM NOW ON, AND YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO READ THEM WITH THE NLS COMMAND PJ (WHICH STANDS FOR PRINT JOURNAL) AND IS TERMINATED BY A CARRIAGE RETURN.

IN ADDITION TO STRAIGHTENING OUT THIS PROBLEM, WITH YOUR JOURNAL BRANCH, I HAVE ALSO MOVED YOUR MESSAGES TO THE BRANCH LABELED "MESSAGE". YOU HAVE 60 PAGES OF OLD MESSAGES!!!

I SUGGEST THAT YOU MAY WANT TO TRY TO DELETE A FEW OF THESE, YOU CAN VIEW JUST THE FIRST LINE OF EACH ONE (THE SUBJECT LINE) BY GIVING THE NLS COMMAND PBMESSEX, THEN TO SEE THE WHOLE OF A PARTICULAR MESSAGE NOTE THE NUMBER, E.G. 3H, AND DO PB3HW, TO DELETE USE THE COMMAND DB FOLLOWED BY THE MESSAGE NUMBER AND TWO CARRIAGE RETURNS.

WE ARE WORKING HARD ON RELIEF FOR YOU, I KNOW BRL IS AWFUL TO GET TO, AS LONG AS NOBODY KICKS YOU OFF, FEEL FREE TO USE THE TIP

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AT PATRICK AFB. THAT IS ALSO AN AUTOVON NUMBER. I USED IT TODAY AND HAD NO PROBLEM, EXCEPT THAT IT WAS VERY SLOW. BUT THAT SEEMS TO BE A GENERAL PROBLEM WITH ALMOST ALL TIPS.

RON UHLIG

P.S. THIS SHOWS AS BEING SENT TO YOU, BECAUSE I SENT FROM YOUR DIRECTORY AFER I DID THE CLEAN UP,

8a

6-FEB-75 1305-PST UHLIG: reevaluation of grade structure at the LSSA MIC

Distribution: GILBERT, cianflone, arntson, leisher, uhlig

Received at: 6-FEB-75 13:05:42

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< UHLIG, TOGILBERT,NLS;3, >, 6-FEB-75 12:41 RPU ;;;;

1 hugh turman informed duke windsor and me of a potentially serious problem developing at the MIC. during the past couple of weeks, hugh has been contacted by supervisors at DCA and DCASR for evaluation of three of his people who are on referrals to those agencies. in addition, hugh has two of his employees who have been working with CSC and DA in the VTAADS area and are highly regarded by CSC personnel for their professional competence. this is a reason for VTAADS add-ons being prototyped at AMC. Delores Gresham, CSC coordinator for VTAADS, has indicated privately to Hugh that CSC grades are higher for employees doing comparable work. although PT & FD can defend their position that the grades meet the approved job standards, i believe we should ask for a survey of several other DOD agencies including USAMSAA to assure that we are competitive; otherwise, the MIC will serve as a training area for other agencies. the data center of T-7 encountered the same situation for several years.

2 expansion of HQMIS will be seriously hampered if we permit this situation to exist, and we will almost certainly lose 3 key HQMIS support people within the next month, with the other 2 going by this summer. the 3 people could probably be persuaded to stay if we at least get P&T to start a survey.

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ron

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6-FEB-75 1258-PST UHLIG: REEVALUATION OF GRADE STRUCTURE AT THE LSSA MIC

Distribution: GILBERT, cianflone, leisher, uhlig, arntson

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6-FEB-75 1055-PST GILBERT: approval of financial changes
 Distribution: MITCHELL, gilbert, arntson, dsmith
 Received at: 6-FEB-75 10:55:52

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i've been monitoring your exchange of messages with smitty about the comptroller's desire to monitor system changes in advance, after being here i have determined that there are ;so many things wrong with the system from an adp point of view that it is amazing the field can tell as much about it as they have been able . the troscom comptroller has a very knowledgeable analysis of the problems . i'm inclined to think we should get the adp bugs out of the system before we pay much attention o the scr's most of which appear to deal with symptoms that will otherwise be rectified, one piece of guidance we need badly out here ;is that concerning the use of point accounts versus weapons systems ;level for commitment control,

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6-FEB-75 1050-PST GILBERT: smitty's initials file
 Distribution: UHLIG, dsmith, gilbert
 received at: 6-FEB-75 10:50:01

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ron, would you take a look at smitty's initials file . he is having trouble transferring messages in using process branch msgin. i suspect he may have the whole set ;of problems with journal, etc, that the rest of us had. i'm surprised they are hanging in as tough as they are in view ;of the difficulty operating out here,

12a

6-FEB-75 0745-PST MITCHELL: approval of financial changes
 Distribution: DSMITH, gilbert, arntson, mitchell
 received at: 6-FEB-75 07:45:44

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this subject was a matter of discussion at a meeting of mr. gilbert with gen sears, 1600 hours, 4 feb 75, the reclama of the comptroller's df (transmitted to you as my message of 5 feb 75) will have to be made by mr. gilbert to gen sears, recommend you discuss subject with mr. gilbert during his visit this week to st. louis.

13a

6-FEB-75 0504-PST DSMITH: Approval of Financial System Changes
 Distribution: MITCHELL, dsmith, arntson, gilbert
 Received at: 6-FEB-75 05:04:27

14

Your message concerning the introduction of a headquarters constraint approval to all financial system changes is not considered practical. Current procedures require that we seek Hq guidance for those issues

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which are not resolvable in St Louis. Additionally you are apprised of the change request load weekly. The priority of work is established by the assignment of a change request priority. Any other administrative requirement will only increase the lead time required to field changes and reduce the responsibility of the ALMSA Directorate involved. Additionally because of the travel money situation any briefings you may desire will be conducted telephonically unless you have the s. SMITH

14a

5-FEB-75 1306-PST GILBERT: payroll for armcom
Distribution: MITCHELL, arntson, gilbert
Received at: 5-FEB-75 13:06:36

15

since we can't seem to get approval for the badly needed payroll system for armcom, let's get with our comptroller, obtain a copy of the csc programs and let mccune install the system himself.

15a

5-FEB-75 1225-PST MITCHELL: approval of system changes
Distribution: DSMITH, gilbert, arntson, mitchell
Received at: 5-FEB-75 12:25:21

16

the following message was received from the chief, fin and acct div this headquarters:

1. The current procedures for processing System Change Requests (SCR's) and reviewing releases do not provide the controls over priorities that appear to be needed to get the financial programs operational. For example: only those SCRs that require functional guidance or policy decisions are forwarded to this Headquarters for approval. SCRs which involve only changes to programs within current guidance are processed at ALMSA and programming is initiated without contact with proponents at this level. While it is recognized that some of these SCRs involve technical processes, the utilization of resources to resolve these problems instead of devoting the resources to those problems identified by this Headquarters for priority efforts may be contributing to the lack of improvement.

2. Efforts were initiated to perform an advance review of releases to insure that only functionally approved changes were incorporated. Recently, for various reasons, these reviews have not been performed on a timely basis.

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3. It is requested that, effective immediately, all SCRs involving financial applications be forwarded to this office for review, approval and concurrence with the priority assigned before any systems design or programming applicable thereto is initiated. In addition, it is requested that an ALMSA representative(s) brief members of this office as soon as possible on all proposed changes beginning with release 31. Briefing should be performed at this Headquarters and should be prepared in non-technical terms. After this initial "catch-up" briefing, each proposed release should be the subject of a functional briefing before programming is initiated.

16a

5-FEB-75 1210-PST UHLIG: 10 LB, TERMINAL
Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig
Received at: 5-FEB-75 12:10:01

17

JOHN, I'M SENDING THIS TO YOU ON A DIGILOG 10 LB, TERMINAL WHICH IS CURRENTLY BEING DEMONSTRATED TO US,. IT WORKS WITH ANY TV SET. COST IS \$1295, I WILL HAVE IT TO TRY OUT FOR ABOUT 1 WEEK, IT REALLY IS SMALL, DIMENSIONS ARE 13"X12"X3 1/2".
RON

17a

4-FEB-75 1917-PST UHLIG: Dinner Invitation
Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig
Received at: 4-FEB-75 19:17:04

18

John , can you plus one come to dinner at our home on Mon 24 Feb. Bev said something about a Thursday at the party last Saturday, but she had forgotten that that is her day for den meetings. (She's a Cub Scout Den Mother, among other things). Ron

18a

4-FEB-75 1351-PST UHLIG: Network Steering Committee Meeting
Distribution: GILBERT, TAYLOR, uhlig, arntson, cianflone
Received at: 4-FEB-75 13:51:08

19

Stan Taylor please pass this msg to Floyd O'Dell ASAP. I just received a call from Jim Saum. Since he told Floyd he could come to mtg in AMC HQ on 25-26 Feb, procs have been changed at TROSCOM. TWX calling mtg must state "AMC approved meeting". Even then, the TROSCOM Chief of Staff calls the AMC Chief of Staff, MG Kirwin to ask whether he has approved mtg. Question is whether we will ask MG Kirwin to approve. Although mtg came to attn of SGS because they wanted (and got) our first mtg room, I doubt that it came to

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attention of MG Kirwin. Floyd, do you want us to try, and John, do you want to seek approval? I doubt that we'll get it. In any case we would need the agenda. Alternative is to go without Jim Saum. Jim also says Bob James is in hospital, and probably can't make it.

Ron

19a

4-FEB-75 1050-PST ARNTSON: g's G=gram re division priorities
Distribution: UHLIG, gilbert, arntson
Received at: 4-FEB-75 10:50:11

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ref your 3 feb 75 1810 pst,

20a

how about adding one more, HQ MIS for IL? MG Pezdirtz wants us to move out and your boys have started action. While you are at it, have you considered livening up the WAR by writing the items in short, telegraphstyle with more information but fewer words?

20b

4-FEB-75 0716-PST CIANFLONE: Impact Statement for ALMSA and LSSA for TDY Restriction
Distribution: DSMITH, LEISHER, gilbert, arntson, mitchell, cianflone, uhlig
Received at: 4-FEB-75 07:16:08

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1. We provided the following data to Comptroller AMC. The impact of the TDY restriction will be especially severe at the Automated Logistics Management Systems Agency (ALMSA) and theologic systems Support Agency (LSSA). These two agencies design and develop standard automated systems for use throughout the command. The major areas of impact are as follows:

a. Delay in installation of ALPHA. ALPHA, the first portion of AMC's standard commodity command system is scheduled to be installed at ECOM, ARMCOM, and TACOM in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd quarters, FY 76, respectively. Personnel from ALMSA must assist the commands in preparation for the system and in its initial operation. If additional TDY funds are not provided it will be necessary to restrict the ALMSA support to ECOM at one-fourth the normal level of effort required to install the ALPHA system and in addition postpone ARMCOM and TACOM implementation. This postponement will require continued use of inefficient pre-ALPHA systems, delaying the improvement of logistic management those commands, and cause the irretrievable loss of forecasted benefits. In addition, at ARMCOM, support for the JCAP (Ammo Production Base) and SAIRS (Small Arms Inventory Reporting System) will be reduced. At TACOM, the delay will result in greatly reduced support of the Project Manager, Tank Production Acceleration Program, one of AMC's highest priority efforts.

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b. Reduced support of International Logistics, Both ALMSA AND LSSA are heavily involved in the development of IL systems for the commodity commands, depots, and the International Logistics Center. The Army (and OSD) cannot afford to risk delay in this important aspect of its mission. The sensitivity of the International Logistics Program demands earliest possible attainment of Management improvements in responsiveness to the Secretary of State and the President.

c. Delay in development of the AMC HQ Management Information System. Prototype operations of the HQ MIS have proved to be extremely valuable to the Directors and their staffs. Extension of the system to additional areas, including, especially, International Logistics, will have to be delayed unless LSSA assistance can be provided.

d. Delay in Selected Systems.

(1) The Installation Equipment Management System (IEMS) scheduled to be prototyped in August 1975, is one of the most cost-effective systems yet developed. Yearly savings of \$30 million are forecasted. Each month of delay due to lack of LSSA support will result in loss of \$2.5 million.

(2) AIF for Arsenals. Standardization of accounting systems at AMC Arsenals is scheduled for July 1976 to meet commitments to OSD and GAO. Heavy support by LSSA is required to meet this objective by installation of AIF (Army Industrial Fund) systems. LSSA personnel must assist the Arsenals, on-site and these visits must be scheduled so that all Arsenals can be operational at the beginning of the fiscal year

21b

(3) The Personnel Management Information System (PMIS). Management of Civilian personnel is one of the most sensitive and important missions of AMC. PMIS is AMC's standard system to support this area. It is currently supporting personnel operations at depots, covering 50,000 employees, and must be extended to cover the remaining 60,000 employees of AMC as soon as possible. Advantages of the standard system are sorely needed in the current environment of declining manpower authorizations.

21c

4-FEB-75 0609-PST BRL: NLS Architects Meeting

Distribution: GILBERT, MITCHELL, ARNTSON, CIANFLONE, DSMITH, LEISHER, uhlg

Received at: 4-FEB-75 06:09:06

22

During the week of Feb 23 there will a meeting of the NLS Architects (Known as the KWAC). The NLS Architects comprise a group of about 12 persons who are not only users but, also, who are intimately aware of the technical aspects of the NLS. Dr. Uhlig has been invited to

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join
the group and will attend, from 18 to 21 February, as the AMC
representative,

22a

Some tentative topics to be discussed are:
Talks of specialized use of NLS by some architects,
Potential system additions desired by KWAC collectively,
Plans for further expansion of the user community,

22b

Since the AMC-MIS group is rather unique in terms of the
organization represented, Ron has been asked if he would speak on
the
nature of the "experiment" you are all taking a part in. He
expects
that we will be able to cull some of your experiences from the
ARPACOMMENTS file, but seeks to amplify these comments with some
additional. In particular, we ask that you make a specific comment
that
you feel might assist the KWAC group to strengthen the NLS and
make it
a better tool for users such as the AMC-MIS group. Bear in mind
when
offering these suggestions that you will be speaking not only for
your
group as it now exists but for the broader group of the larger AMC
community.,

22c

Send your suggestions by message to UHLIG.

Ed vonGehren

22d

3-FEB-75 2340-PST STEFFERUD at USC-ISIA: NLS AT OFFICE-1, ETC.
Distribution: GILBERT AT OFFICE-1, brl at office-1, Uhlig at
office-1, farber at isi
Received at: 4-FEB-75 02:19:07

23

LAST NITE I WAS TRYING TO USE NLS AT OFFICE-1, BUT THE
LINE WAS SO SLOW THAT I ALMOST WENT TO SLEEP BETWEEN
CHARACTERS. WHAT A DRAG!!!

23a

I HAVE CONSTRUCTED A SHORT MESSAGE IN NLS FOR YOU TO READ IF
YOU WANT TO TAKE THE EFFORT. IT IS NOT TERRIBLY IMPORTANT.

23b

I AM GOING TO SNEAK A COPY OF THE PIECE OF IT THAT I GOT OUT
INTO A TENEX FILE FOR SNDMSG INTO THIS MSG USING BANANARD AT ISI,

23c

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Net mail from site OFFICE-1 rcvd at 3-FEB-75 23:16:01
Date: 3 FEB 1975 2317-PST

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From: BRL at OFFICE-1
 Subject: YOUR LINK MON NITE
 To: GILBERT
 cc: STEFFERUD at ISIA

23d

JOHN,

23e

3 john, were you experimenting with a small screen glass printer?
 1
 cannot think of any other good reason why you would make that kind
 of
 error, you seemed to be unabled to copy text from a few lines
 above,

23f

THAT WAS PART OF AN NLS MESSAGE I WAS DOING
 FOR YOU, RON, AND DAVE,

23g

GOT TO GO NOW,

23h

SEE YOU, STEF

23i

THAT WAS THE PEICE I SENT TO JOHN, JUST FOR THE EXERCISE. I
 INCLUDED IT IN THIS MESSAGE WITH A (CONTROL-B) JUST AS YOU WOULD
 IN SNDMSG. I PULLED IT OUT OF MY <MESSAGE.TXT;1> FILE AT ISI,

23j

THE REASON WHY I HAD TO BUG OUT FROM OFFICE WAS THAT THE SYSTEM WAS
 GOING DOWN FOR TH NITE AND I DIDN'T WANT TO MISS GETTING SOME
 THING
 OUT, NO MATTER HOW TRIVIAL IT WAS,

23k

RON, I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR REFERENCE TO THE NEW TNLS COURSE
 OUTLINE. TODAY I WENT OVER TO ISI TO GET IT PRINTED OUT ON THEIR
 PRINTER, AND GOT THEM EXCITED ABOUT GETTING A COPY FOR THEMSEVLES,
 AS A RESULT, THEY GOT INTO THE ACT AND WE SUCCEEDED IN GETTING
 THE HJOURNAL, 25275, 1 DOWN TO ISI FOR PRINTING. TOMORROW, I AM
 GOING BACK OVER TO GET SOME OTHER STUFF YOU REFERENCED OUT ON THE
 PRINTER.

23l

BESIDES, CHLOE HOLD, THE NSW SECRETARY, IS ALSO LEARNING NLS, SO
 WE
 PLAN TO COMPARE NOTES. AT THIS POINT I AM ABOUT TO EARN SOME OF
 MY
 ARPANET KEEP BY BEING USEFUL TO SOMEONE IN THE NSW PROJECT,

23m

I WILL LET YOU ALL KNOW HOW THINGS GO,

23n

BY THE WAY, IT SURE IS NICE TO BE ABLE TO TYPE AS FAST AS I WISH,
 AFTER THAT DRAG WITH OFFICE-1.

23o

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SEE YOU ALL LATER, - - - -STEF 23p

3-FEB-75 2317-pST BRL: YOUR LINK MON NITE
Distribution: GILBERT, stefferud at isia
Received at: 3-FEB-75 23:17:12 24

JOHN, 24a

3 John, were you experimenting with a small screen glass printer?
I cannot think of any other good reason why you would make that kind
of error, you seemed to be unable to copy text from a few lines
above. 24b

THAT WAS PART OF AN NLS MESSAGE I WAS DOING
FOR YOU, RON, AND DAVE, 24c

GOT TO GO NOW, 24d

SEE YOU, STEF 24e

3-FEB-75 1833-PST GILBERT: PRIORITIES
Distribution: UHLIG, gilbert
Received at: 3-FEB-75 18:33:30 25

RON, FINE, GIVE HELEN A COPY AND CLEAR TEAHRE MESSAGE, I'M GLAD
YOU ARE REVIEWING PRIORITIES. INCIDENTALLY, I TALKED TO BOB
DENTON, AND THINK WE SHOULD DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM. 25a

3-FEB-75 1806-PST UHLIG: Your G-Gram re Division Priorities
Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig
Received at: 3-FEB-75 18:06:53 26

John, you're right, I hadn't looked at the priorities in a few
weeks.
My tentative list right now would be (in no special order) SENET
impletation, Getting TD/CMS "straightened out", the SNDMSG
Experiment
and getting the MIS for Reports Management "up". Next weeks
report will reflect these priorities. Gops, I left a very high
priority out. I will go to five items, because the Advanced
Hybrid Computer
System project is also a priority item. Is this sufficient answer
to the Gram. If so, let me know, and I will let Helen know, with
a cy of this correspondence and your reply. Sorry I got lax in
that area.

Ron 26a

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3-FEB-75 1802-PST MITCHELL: cesso vs amcr
 Distribution: DSMITH, gilbert, mitchell
 Received at: 3-FEB-75 18:02:58 27

please pass to mr lux 27a

reference , your messages of 27 jan, subject as above, 27b

i discussed the 20 jan 75 and the 19 apr 74 letters with dave magathan, the 19 apr 74 letter was written after the 1973 Inventory seminar in which almsa participated, 27c

Magathan's abjective is to have all inventory information in one document, amcr is that document, para 2b of the 19 apr letter describes the method of producing interim nanges to the amcr to accompany your releases, such changes will eneventually be published as official changes to the amcr, your problem could be one of conforming to amcr format 27d

suggest you review the 19 apr letter before submitting your comments to the 20 jan letter , amxal-lsf was on distribution, 27e

3-FEB-75 1713-PST MITCHELL: stock control fcg meeting
 Distribution: GILBERT, arntson, dsmith, mitchell
 Received at: 3-FEB-75 17:13:08 28

i have received almsa's memo for record of the stock control functional coordinating group meeting of 21-23 jan 75, the group reviewed the scr's received from all commodity commands relative to the stock control processe, the following is a summarization of the results: 28a

already completed	2	28b
to be implemented	17	28c
rejected	17	28d
referred to headquarters	5	28e
required verification	1	28f

the number of rejections really leads one to believe that additional functional reviews would be profitable, 28g

3-FEB-75 1113-PST ARNTSON: WEEKLY REPORT AS OF 31 JAN 75
 Distribution: BRL, arntson, gilbert, dsmith, mitchell, unlig
 Received at: 3-FEB-75 11:13:41 29

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1. USE: 9 incoming, 1 outgoing, this is not typical since terminal is not yet installed, give me time, 29a

2. COMPLAINTS: none, 29b

3. COMP. REMARKS: info copies are proving to be valuable in keeping informed, we should check later to see if projected use by action officers has the same effect of increasing awareness, that would be a big step forward, 29c

31-JAN-75 14:19-PST GILBERT: SENDMSG PROBLEM
Distribution: UHLIG, gilbert
Received at: 31-JAN-75 14:19:05 30

I KNOW JOHN CIANFLONE IS WAITING FOR VIRGINIA TO COME BACK, I'M UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT WON'T BE TOO MUCH LONGER AND I SUGGET WE WAIT, LET'S BRING JACK'S TYPEWRITER UPSTAIRS NOW, I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THE MIC NEEDED IT, LIBBY AND HELEN WILL BOTH WANT TO LEARN, I'M OF THE FEELING THAT A LITTLE PATIENCE NOW WILL PAY OFF, I CAN SEE THE PRESSURE BUILDING UNDER THE NON USERS, 30a

31-JAN-75 13:01-PST DSMITH: ccss planning briefing
Distribution: GILBERT, dsmith
Received at: 31-JAN-75 13:01:50 31

hello john, hope you're feeling better, just put master copy of the planning briefing in the mail at 1500 st louis time, jean really did fine job, in my opinion, ably supported by harty at the keyboard, had to recruit ruth and a few others to keep our great white father in the east in good spirits, i think the product is very good and hope you share the feeling, as stated in jean's note the briefing narrative will be modified slightly and become the "executive summary" of the bo of the brochure which we should have ready next week, certainly there needs to be resource support to work the plan, and at any rate some degree of adjustment will be necessary, if we get no resource - we get almost no new systems and we get bigger paper to extend the plan out to 2001 (there's a theme from a movie we can include with that plan), have an have a nice week end, ray lux 31a

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31-JAN-75 1300-PST UHLIG: Methods of Utilizing Office
 Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig
 Received at: 31-JAN-75 13:00:24

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John, a small problem came up today, and I kind of don't want to be the fall guy in straightening it out. John Cianflone had given a page and a half of stuff to the MIC to put in OFFICE. Ed von Gehren heard about it and asked if we couldn't get one of John's secy's to type it in. I thought that would be easy, but when I called John he objected. Said he wanted all his secy's to learn how, but wanted to wait till Virginia came back. I offered to train his other gal to do the job. But John didn't want to do that. MIC is concerned because they really don't have people to do long typing jobs, and I think they shouldn't be providing that kind of service anyway. I solved the immediate problem by having Duke Windsor's secy do the typing for this one (he didn't like that), because I had trained her already. However, I think it's time we get the routin message handling in either the hands of the individual or his secy. That brings me to Jack. He told Ed von Gehren that he was just waiting 'till the terminal was "installed" in his office. I'm sure we can bring Jack's terminal upstairs, and teach Libby how to handle Jack's needs very quickly, but I don't know exactly how to broach the subject. Can you help me? Also, maybe a word from you to get the secy's trained would solve my problem with John. I have too many other things on which I need to keep his good will to push him on this. Ron

32a

31-JAN-75 0742-PST LEISHER: improvements to speedex
 Distribution: GILBERT, cianflone
 Received at: 31-JAN-75 07:42:33

33

reference your message 15 jan 75 relative to providing reports at remote sites: 1. remote job entry (rje) gives the depot d/mis the capability to do this now on a selected basis. saad has 4,0 master installed and as part of this package, saad personnel have been instructed to rje procedures. qualification - rje will not over-ride the hard-coded reports but will process where the site is optional. 2. rje will permit general purpose scan output at the remote terminal. general purpose scan i being redesigned to permit optional printing at remote sites.

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this action will be completed in march 1975. 3. we will schedule changing the application areas hard-coding to make report printing site to be optional.

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30-JAN-75 1342-PDT GILBERT: MISSING MESSAGES
Distribution: DSMITH, gilbert
Received at: 30-JAN-75 13:42:11

34

I GOT A CALL FROM LUX TO PICK UP A MESSAGE, BUT NONE IS THERE,
PLS.
TRY AGAIN,

34a

29-JAN-75 1818-PST GILBERT: FARBER
Distribution: UHLIG, gilbert, cianflone, arntson
Received at: 29-JAN-75 18:18:37

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I'VE RECEIVED A COUPLE OF MESSAGES FROM DAVE IN THE LAST TWO DAYS
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ONE ASKING IF I RECEIVED HIS PROPOSAL AND A SECOND THAT I WILL SET
UP AS AN NLS FILE AND RELAY TO YOU PROPOSING THE POSSIBILITY OF
ALTERNATIVES TO OFFICE -1. I FEEL I MUST REPLY BY THIS WEEKEND, SO
ANY IDEAS YOU HAVE WILL BE WELCOME

35a

29-JAN-75 1813-PST GILBERT: MEMO ON USE OF OFFICE
Distribution: UHLIG, cianflone, gilbert
Received at: 29-JAN-75 18:13:31

36

I AGREE WITH YOUR MEMO AND ITS MODIFICATION. WE SHOULD
NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT WHETHER THE ADP CHIEFS BUY A SLOT OR NOT, I
WANT ALMSA AND LSSA ONLINE. I THINK THEY SHOULD EACH PAY A FAIR
SHARE,

36a

29-JAN-75 0949-PST FARBER at USC-ISI: QUERY
Distribution: GILBERT AT OFFICE-1, farber
Received at: 29-JAN-75 09:49:04

37

AFTER THINKING A LONG TIME, I HAVE BECOME CONVINCED
THAT IT IS TIME TO HYPOTHESISE A CONSISTANT
AND WELL DESIGNED SYSTEM FOR MANAGERS AND ORGANIZATIONS
IN THE AREA OF THE USE OF NETWORKS TO INHANCE COMMUNICATIONS
WITHIN ORGANIZATIONS. NEITHER NLS, FORUM OR SNDMESSAGE
FACILITIES ARE REALLY RIGHT, I INTEND TO TALK A STAB
AT THE PROBLEM SOON AND WOULD LIKE TO ASK IF YOU
WOULD BE WILLING TO ACT AS BOTH A COLLABORATOR AND A
CRITIC, DAVE

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29-JAN-75 0722-PST UHLIG: An Old G-Gram
Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig
Received at: 29-JAN-75 07:22:18

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John, in cleaning up old G-Gram files, Helen asked us about one from last April which I do not ever recall seeing. It says "I promised Mel Sippy a copy of your network vugraphs showing the current net. His are terrible. Can you help me please." You initialled it, and sent it to me 25 Mar 74. "Somebody may have acted on it in my absence, but if not do you want me to still try to do something with it? Ron

38a

29-JAN-75 0650-PST DSMITH: rpc release
Distribution: GILBERT, arntson, mitchell, dsmith
Received at: 29-JAN-75 06:50:58

39

considering avscm test during feb the best we could do would be release

33 - c/o 28 feb, installation 18 apr, that will be tight. if test

39a

looks good mid-feb and we can get documentation ready for release we'd

be in go position. otherwise release 34 would be solid commitment, but

installation date is 19 may. i'm not sure what you had in mind when you

indicated normal release support "if not too long", lux

39b

29-JAN-75 0600-PST UHLIG: My draft memo on use of OFFICE next FY
Distribution: GILBERT, CIANFLONE, uhlig
Received at: 29-JAN-75 06:00:59

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After thinking overnight I added Para 4, and 5, as follows. Para 6,

is the old Para 4, moved down but no change in wording...

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40b

7 4. Use of mailboxes within the directoate was seen to be as follows: one mailbox for each Division Chief, one mailbox for the Director, one mailbox for the Deputy Director, and one mailbox assigned to each Division for general use by action officers within that Division, for a total of eight mailboxes. A maximum of ten mailboxes can be made available within each slot.

40c

8 5. We will also attempt to generate interest on the part of two other groups within AMC in buying separate slots. These groups are the MSC ADP Chiefs, and ten individuals from the SECC, ALMSA and LSSA would tie in with the MSC Chiefs. The cost to each individual would be between \$4000 and \$5000 per year, which should be possible within their budgets. Mr. Gilbert will discuss

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this with the MSC ADP Chiefs when he meets with them next month, and Dr. Uhlig will discuss this with some key individuals in the SECC.

40d

9 6. Mr. Cianflone stated that he was planning on paying \$10K as the AMC Headquarters share for use of the MERDC ARPA net node. However, if customers could not be found to make up the difference, AMC might have to pay the entire \$52K owed for FY 76. Mr. Gilbert stated that if AMC was paying at that level, he wanted MERDC to make sure that the ANTS System would be up 24 hours per day/7 days per week.

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Ronald P. Uhlig

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40g

Ron

40h

28-JAN-75 1926-PST UHLIG: Your draft letter to McCutchen
Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig
Received at: 28-JAN-75 19:26:55

41

John, I think your letter strikes just the right tone. My only comment is that you say that both John Cianflone and I will contact Sam "in the near future," rather than just John Cianflone, since I'm already in it pretty deep. If that sounds like nitpicking, just disregard my remark because it's a small point. Ron

41a

28-JAN-75 1904-PST UHLIG: Record of our Meeting on 27 Jan re Office use in FY76

Distribution: GILBERT, CIANFLONE
Received at: 28-JAN-75 19:04:15

42

I have drafted up the following message re our meeting yesterday, which I will put in the journal after you check it for accuracy. Any additions/corrections?

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42b

< UHLIG, OFFUSE,NLS:2, >, 28-JAN-75 18:58 RPU ;;;
MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

42c

SUBJECT: Management Information Systems Directorate Use of OFFICE-1
During FY 76 and Related Matters

42d

DATE: 29 January 1975

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1. On Monday, 27 January 75 an informal meeting was held between Mr. John Gilbert, Director of Management Information Systems, Mr. John Cianflone, Chief, Resources Division, and Dr. Uhlig, Chief, Scientific and Management Information Division. Mr. Gilbert made the following decisions regarding use of the OFFICE-1 facilities by this Directorate during FY76.

42f

2. Mr. Gilbert said that we would purchase a slot at OFFICE-1 for this Directorate for FY 76 and that Mr. Cianflone should budget accordingly. He also said that Mr. Cianflone should plan to obtain terminals for use within the Directorate as follows: One hardcopy terminal and two CRT terminals for each Division, and one hardcopy terminal and two CRTs for the "front office". Anticipated use of the terminals would be that the Division Secretaries would use the hardcopy terminal, the Division Chief would use a CRT and one additional CRT terminal would be available to share among the action officers within a Division. The "front office" use would be that the hardcopy terminal would generally be for the two secretaries and the CRT terminals would be for the Director and the Deputy Director. The total number of terminals for the Directorate would be 8 CRTs and 4 hardcopy terminals. Generally, all of the terminals should be portable.

42g

3. In addition to budgeting \$40K for purchasing a slot at OFFICE and additional funds for obtaining the terminals (the terminals currently in use are leased using the RDT&E Funds obtained for the "SNDMSG Experiment"), funds would be needed for paying an appropriate share of AMC HQ use of the ARPA node at MERDC. This would probably range between \$20K to \$40K, depending on whether HDL would be sharing in use of the

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node during FY 76 and what the node costs during FY 76 turn out to be.

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4. Mr. Cianflone stated that he was planning on paying \$10K as the AMC Headquarters share for use of the MERDC ARPA net node. However, if customers could not be found to make up the difference, AMC might have to pay the entire \$52K owed for FY 76. Mr. Gilbert stated that if AMC was paying at that he level, he wanted MERDC to make sure that the ANTS System would be up 24 hours per day/7 days per week.

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Ronald P. Uhlig

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Ron

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28-JAN-75 0505-PST DSMITH: ECOM SUPPORT PLANNING
Distribution: GILBERT, mitchell, cianflone, dsmith
Received at: 28-JAN-75 05:05:28

43

THIS IS A RETRANSMISSION OF THE "MISSING" NOTE
In accordance with your guidance I have put together 3 money plans for ECOM. At this time some of the figures are ball park, However most of it is supportable with planning charts down to the man. I will fill in the details Monday. This makes good weekend reading
THE PLANS COST AS FOLLOWS:

MINIMUM	32K	
MIDDLE	65K	
MAXIMUM	158K	WHERE ALL COSTS FOR ALL PLANS ARE ECOM ONLY

The minimum plan is that proposed to ECOM at the recent meeting
The middle plan increases functional support during familiarization and adds the following:
a. Minimum ADP/T systems support
b. Two trips to put the hardware monitor and BOOLE&BABBAGE on the Computer of Concern
c. RVD on site support during conversion
d. Dress rehearsal support

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The maximum plan expands the middle plan to provide that support

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estimated to do the things that ECOM is not doing well- planning, bridge definition, conversion definition, etc.

In addition to the ECOM TDY estimates provided above I have the following non-ALPHA requirements deemed essential:

DIDs

8K

TACOM/ARMCOM/MICOM 4K

ADMIN (grievance travel, Wash liason, etc) 10K

43b

My TDY upper limit is now 52,3K To meet the middle plan I need a constraint increase of 34,7K I have received new allocation guidance to be hashed out over the weekend to see how I fit with the middle plan, if were lucky we can do something with what we have under the arch

Have a good weekend Smitty

NOW THAT YOU HAVE ALL OF THE ABOVE

AS OF MONDAY PM IT APPEARS WE CAN DO IT WITH FUNDS AVAILABLE

IF WE GET A TDY CEILING WAIVER IT IS AN EQUIPMENT TRADE WHICH IS WITHIN YOUR GUIDANCE

A FORMAL REQUEST FOR TDY CEILING LIFT WILL BE FORTHCOMING

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25-JAN-75 1159-PST UHLIG: Barry Worthing-Smith

Distribution: GILBERT, uhlig

Received at: 25-JAN-75 11:59:00

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I sent a message to Peter Kirstein at Univ of London earlier this week

suggesting that he contact Brig Worthing-Smith because of some comments

that Kirstein made to me this summer at Stockholm. I got a message today that he (Kirstein) had contacted Worthing-Smith and they were getting together on 14 Feb. You might want to send a message a day or two before to Kirstein@ISI (he keeps his mailbox there) Attention

Worthing-Smith (maybe an intro statement referencing his coming visit so Kirstein will know what to do with it). Just a suggestion, Ron

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23-JAN-75 0831-PST FARBBER at USC-ISI: QUERY

Distribution: GILBERT AT OFFICE-1

received at: 23-JAN-75 08:34:35

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GREETINGS FROM LONDON, JUST CANNOT

KEEP AWAY FROM THE TERMINAL,

DID ROY AMARA OF INSTITUTE FOR THE FUTURE EVER GET IN

TOUCH WITH YOU RE THEUAIR FORUM SYSTEM,

DAVE

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JCG 9-FEB-75 15:52 31832

msg=file=dec-to-feb-75

(J31832) 9-FEB-75 15:52;;; Title: Author(s): John C. Gilbert/JCG;
Distribution: /JCG([INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: JCG;
Origin: < GILBERT, SENDMSGs,NLS;1, >, 9-FEB-75 15:38 JCG ;;;;####;

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SMT 30-JAN-75 20:19 31753

NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR ARPACOMMENTS

Message: I have recently done some file reorganization to ARPACOMMENTS. I feel that it is an improvement over the "last in first out" scheme I had before. It will soon be back in snambles, however, if I don't pass on new directions for using the file.

The file is now structured so that each of you has a BRANCH listed under your name. This will serve to group each person's comments for easy extraction; and since each branch represents a separate person, addressing can be done by personal name rather than branch number.

The new procedure is as follows: from NLS -

*CONN BRL*ARPA cr (* denotes space)

L F ARPACOMMENTS cr

I S <your-last-name> cr

enter your comments

cr (to signify completion of your comments)

U F cr (IMPORTANT: if this is not done, no one else can enter comments to the file.)

CONN <your idnt><your password> cr (this returns you to your own directory)

Please give it a try; you should find it interesting.

Ed vonGehren

*****Note: [ACTION] *****

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SMT 30-JAN-75 19:36 31752

LOST ARPACOMMENTS

Message: I received your ARPACOMMENT entry in which you ask that I let you know if I received your comments via journal. To the best of my knowledge I have no such journal entries. If you know the journal numbers, I will try to retrieve them by linking to JOURNAL - I've never done that before but it should offer some interest for a new experience.

Ed vonGehren

*****Note: [ACTION] *****

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RPU 21-JAN-75 05:41 31671

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*****Note: [ACTION] *****

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SMT 20-DEC-74 06:42 31528

user names and idents

Message: I have been asked to notify all participants of the AMC

SENDMAIL study of member name and idents. They are as follows:

GILBERT	JCG
ARNTSON	JAA
UHLIG	RPU
CIANFLONE	JCF
MITCHELL	HSM
DSMITH	JDS
LEISHER	AEL

Ed von Gehren

*****Note: [ACTION] *****

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JCF 11-DEC-74 08:58 31494

test of the dof sendm sendmail to your idents

Message: this is an exampe of a message..it and statement appear in your mailbox.

*****Note: [INFO-ONLY] *****

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JCG 9-FEB-75 20:30 31833

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(J31833) 9-FEB-75 20:30;;; Title: Author(s): John C. Gilbert/JCG;
Distribution: /JCG([INFO-ONLY]); Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: JCG;
Origin: < GILBERT, JOURNAL-MAIL,NLS;1, >, 9-FEB-75 16:00 JCG
;;;####;

sampam mission assignment

to col. smith, i checked into your concern about sampam transfer from ecom to mida, it has quite a bit of validity, the problem i run into is that mida supplies most of the data that is ultimately reflected in the amp-i and for years we have been wondering what body english or holy water is applied at the nicps (they will make wondrous claims). let me see in the ensuing paragraphs if i can explain:

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of the six sectors in the sampam file as currently constituted, the largest volume is the gross requirements file, typically this is recomputed many times per budget cycle, in my era the computation of all the data in the amp was entered consistent with this, the problem was that once the gross requirements were out of date, so was everything else,

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procurement and other receipts is the second sector and one that must be supplied by the nicps for contracts already in being, for the out years, however, a simulation of reasonable production buildups must be applied based on the starting level of the production base and the gross requirement yet unsatisfied,

1b

item identification and assets is the third sector, this contains a lot of cataloging information that should come directly from alpha, all of the asset data is collected at mida originally, this, of course comprises the principal volume of this file, furthermore, it differs from anything in alpha at present for the asset data is completely replaced periodically,

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losses must also be supplied by the nicp since they are computed by looking at the various models that wrap up to the same major item,

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the program cost must also be supplied by the nicps for it is dependent on production negotiations, while current costs may be in alpha for contracts in being, when one deals with major items, projections must be made five years into the future, capital equipment budgeting is a long range process and does not simply involve procurement leadtime as the stock fund does,

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the last sector is the overhaul sector, this data is already at mida as a consequence of their maintenance workloading mission, it originates in ammdex, one of the principal benefits of this approach is the ability to keep the amp-i and the amp-ii in synchronization,

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less than twenty percent of the file volume originates in the nicp's, while i do not think this is a crucial indicator, it adds credence to the argument that most of the data is already resident at mida, basically, however, the location of a home for the proponenty comes down to who can make the greatest contribution, since there appears

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to be little commonality between alpha and the data required by sampam except in the cataloging area, i have concluded that mida is the more logical home,

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mida will need your help. for most of this year, they expect to be involved in the transfer from ecom to them of the existing system. i charged them to give priority to writing ccsoi's in alpha mode and for rendering the programs that still must be run at the nicps compatible with the alpha operating instructions. the dr&p is responsible for defining a minimum first increment major item system for operation in the nicps. my staff (begley's branch) is responsible for studying the relationship between alpha and the smapam files. the goal is to ultimately either drive sampam from the alpha data base or from a separate integrated major item data base. these matters will require your participation. we plan to hold an ipr in may.

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Distribution: /JDS([ACTION]) JAA([INFO-ONLY]) HSM([INFO-ONLY]
) JCF([INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: JCG;
Origin: < GILBERT, SAMPAM,NLS;4, >, 31-JAN-75 14:49 JCG ;;;;####;

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PART I: AN OVERVIEW OF THE NATIONAL SOFTWARE WORKS PROJECT

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Introduction

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Software production in the DoD is estimated to cost in excess of \$2B per year, and dominates the schedule of development of almost all computer systems. Yet programming remains a loosely controlled manual process, with little automated assistance. There are numerous reasons for this unsatisfactory state of affairs, but probably the most important is the fact that tools which can materially aid programmers, analysts and their managers are inherently expensive to develop, and typically require computers much larger than those required to run finished programs. Since most programmers are constrained to use the same computer for both development and operations, only the simplest and widespread tools are developed for each computer, and new tool development is inhibited.

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Computer networks, and an order of magnitude decrease in the cost of on-line storage, provide an opportunity to attack the software production problem in a more complete way than ever before. In the Summer of 1973,

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the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA) organized discussions among a number of professionals from industry, the Services and universities. The general notion emerged of a software factory implemented on a computer network, with a coherent collection of tools which would expand and become more powerful over time. 2a2

Further discussions with the Services in the Fall and Winter of 1973-74 refined the concept, and led ARPA to form a joint program with the Air Force Data Automation Agency (AFDAA) to implement the first version of a distributed software factory, to be called the National Software Works (NSW). Air Force Systems Command (AFSC) is participating in the project through its computer science research organization at Rome Air Development Center. Discussions are continuing with the Army and the Navy, and it seems likely that a coordinated tri-service effort will evolve. The National Software Works can potentially provide for DoD-wide utilization of capabilities which otherwise will be created ad hoc for each new software development program, or worse, not be available at all. 2a3

Background and Technical Need

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The Software Problem

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Over the last ten years, there has been a radical shift in the balance of hardware and software costs. Because of technological advances, hardware costs have been reduced to the point where hardware designers are seeking ways to help reduce software costs. The cost of computing is clearly dominated by the cost of software. Since software is often critical component in large systems, overruns in delivery time or serious flaws in quality can have hidden costs and penalties that exceed the direct hardware and software development costs. 2b1a

Demands for software production are increasing in volume and complexity, but progress in software technology has been slow. The demands have clearly outstripped the state-of-the-art, with very costly results. Cost overruns on software development projects are legendary. Software is seldom delivered on time. There is much waste in programming and computing, resulting from poor matching of software and hardware. Incompatibility between computers results in costly reprogramming or an inability to take advantage of the reduced

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computing costs of new hardware. The maintenance costs for old software products may be an order of magnitude larger than production cost, due to poor original design and production. 2b1b

The high direct and indirect costs of software set an effective practical limit to the complexity and scale of realizable systems. A major reduction in software costs (including the costs resulting from bad quality) could have a great impact on the practical capability of logistic, avionics, tactical, communication, and other vital systems. 2b1c

The rapidly decreasing costs of computation resulting from new technological advances and the rapid growth in computer networks will, together and separately, cause a great expansion in the population of computer users and a great increase in the variety of applications. The threshold of economic feasibility is dropping for many systems, and awareness of how to employ computations is spreading to many sectors where computing is not a present activity. This will result not only in more computer usage but also in the need for much more software. 2b1d

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In addition, major changes are occurring in the character of computing. Batch-mode data base processing currently dominates computing, but there is a strong trend toward on-line data base computing of ever-increasing scale. The related field of communication-oriented computation is also growing, as is the need for complex real-time processing in such areas as tactical systems. The present software art is poorly matched to these modes of computation, and as these modes grow in importance, software costs will escalate. The "learning" costs incurred as the art strives to meet new kinds of demands will be high indeed.

2b1e

Great advances are needed in making computers more natural for people to use and in finding the right level and character of man-machine interaction. The present software art is only at the beginning of such capability. Some forms of man-machine communication will require major increases in software complexity, to match human sensory and intellectual power.

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Finally, as computing becomes more widespread, the problem of tracking

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users' requirements will become acute. For example, on a non-computerized base, it is fairly easy to say, "The commander direct all personnel to read the new security manual and make sure their information-processing activities comply with it." If the base is automated, changing the software would be difficult and time-consuming with current software technology. Keeping up with changing requirements may already be the biggest source of DoD software costs, not only in the maintenance phase, but also during the development phase. In the future, these costs will increase as more DoD functions are partially or completely automated.

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Why So Few Tools?

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The tools used to develop software do not reflect software's relative importance in determining the cost, reliability, and delivery schedule of the total system. In most billion dollar industries, a substantial investment is accumulated in supportive tools. The development of such tools is difficult for labor intensive activities like software production, where each product is somewhat unique. But the heavy

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capitalization of the tool-and-die industry demonstrates that it is possible to accumulate tools which exploit similarities among custom products. 2b2a

The real barrier to the development of adequate tools to support software production has been the requirement that the tools be reimplemented for every kind of hardware. Converting development tool to run on different hardware is usually more difficult than converting an applications system. Since a prime use of software tools is to shield the applications programmers from the details of the computer hardware, the logic of the tool must embody specific knowledge of the hardware characteristics if the results are to be efficient. In the face of conversion costs, some valuable tools have been lost. For example, there were satisfactory solutions to the problems of round-off, overflow, and underflow in numerical computations for the IBM 7094. That was 1966, but the problems are still recurring in newer, and in theory more sophisticated, computer systems. 2b2b

For planning purposes, the Air Force uses six years as the economic

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life of computer hardware. That means that almost all applications systems development must be completed in the first year or two after a system is installed if the development costs are to be recovered. Tools which are developed after the hardware is delivered will also come after the programming staff has finally become accustomed to the new system and developed standard procedures for using it. Since new tools will be completed too late to help with the bulk of the applications systems, and constant retraining is something operational organizations can ill afford in any case, there is little incentive for people outside of the software R&D community to build tools. 2b2c

A related problem is the fact that machines are usually sized for their production requirements, not their development ones. Hence, they typically do not contain enough mass storage for the files that would be required in an on-line environment, nor enough memory to support both the code being developed and the tools used during that development. Additionally, access to the system is limited by the priorities of the production work load. A little recognized fact is

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that the tradeoff between manhours and machine resources is vastly different during development than during production. The CCIP-85 study (Reference) has shown that development costs increase exponentially as the machine approaches saturation. 2b2d

Despite these problems, the inventory of support software has been gradually expanding. Among the most widely used software tools are compilers, operating systems, time-sharing executives, file systems, program librarians, and interactive editors. Virtually all multi-programming operating systems have attempted to create a suitable programming environment by providing a set of tools. Some merely provide a library from which tools can be selected one at a time by the programmer. Others, like Multics, CP-67, VS-370, and TENEX, have provided an on-line environment for program building and debugging. 2b2e

These systems have not been as productive as they could have been, because there are at present no interfacing standards which assure that tools can be used together effectively. Non-integrated tool at a time

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operation places too great a load on the programmer to specify exactly what operations are to occur. This problem is particularly acute since tools often have command language idiosyncracies. On the other hand, if the tools supporting a programming language are tightly integrated, then it is at present impossible to access them from other languages. For example, the APL environment is completely isolated from the rest of its host IBM 360 or 370. Thus, tools may have to be duplicated for each language supported on a hardware system, as well as for all the different kinds of hardware systems.

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Origins of the National Software Works Program

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Recent technological advances make it possible to overcome the barrier which have prevented the accumulation of a collection of powerful tools to support the software development process. The costs of both processing and on-line storage are dropping rapidly, so it will soon be feasible to have all programmers working on-line. Experiments like ACTORS and the Programmer's Interface have shown that many software tools are language independent or only slightly language dependent.

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Experiments using the ARPANET have shown that programs running in several machines can cooperate and appear to the user as a single system. Such cooperation is possible even if the host machines were built by different vendors and have significantly different architectures and operating systems. Finally, there are several examples of large time-sharing systems' being used to support development environments for other kinds of hardware, in particular mini-computers. Thus there is strong evidence to suggest that tools running on a diverse collection of computers can be used together effectively to develop software for a variety of target machines, using a variety of languages. The key is the definition of appropriate interfacing standards.

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Recognizing the significance of the Software Problem to the DoD, and believing that these technological advances offered an opportunity to attack that problem in a much more concentrated way than ever before, ARPA/IPT held a series of meetings with software specialists from industry and government during the Summer of 197. Among the participant

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were Barry Boehm(TRW), John Brown (TRW), Michael Busch(CSC), F.J. Corbitto(MIT), Peter Deutsch(XEROX PARC), Jerry Feldman(Stanford), Cordell Green(Stanford), J.C.R. Licklider(MIT), Tom Lippiatt(Rand), Barbara Liskov(MIT), Richard Watson(SRI), Clark Weissman(SDC), Robert Balzer(ISI), T.E. Cheatham(Harvard), Stephen Warshall(Massachusetts Computer Associates), Stephen Crocker(ARPA/IPT), William Clark(NAVSHIPS), L/C Robert O'Keefe(USAF-ESD), Maj Harold Arthur(USAF-ESD), Norman Glick(NSA), John Mott-Smith(USAF-ESD), and Ma Zara(USAF-ESD). The result of these meetings was a report(reference) and a determination that the project should be jointly sponsored by service organization which is a major producer of operational software. During the Fall 1973, all three Services were presented with the National Software idea. The strongest interest was expressed by the Air Force Data Automation Agency. The Army Computer Systems Command also assigned an officer to participate in NSW planning sessions. The first meeting of an NSW Steering Committee was held in October 1973 and was attended by Steve Crocker(ARPA/IPT), L/C Gray Kinney(US Army Computer Systems Command), Maj Tony Baggiano and Mr Al Mayhan(Air Force Data

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Systems Design Center), Maj Jim Lloyd and 1Lt Bill Carlson(Air Force Data Services Center), Bob Balzer(ISI), and Steve Warshall(Massachusetts Computer Associates), The Air Force Data System Design Center (AFDSDC) and the Air Force Data Services Center((AFDSC) are two of the three components of the AFDA, AFDSDC is located at Gunter AFS, Alabama and is responsible for developing and maintaining standard data systems wh 2b3b

run at over 130 AF bases throughout the world, AFDSC is located in the Pentagon and supports the Headquarters, Air Force and the Office of the secretary of Defense, The third organization within AFDA is the Federal ADPE Simulation Center in Alexandria, Virginia It provides computer performance evaluation and simulation services to all government agencies under an agreement with the General Services Administration, 2b3c

IN March 1974, a plan (Reference) was published for a joint AFDA and ARPA effort to build the National Software Works, The Army Computer Systems Command determined that it could not afford to participate, Th

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Plan was briefed to Col T. ,McGovern, AFSDSC Commander, Col E.O. Wells AFSDSC Commander, and to MG J.B. Robbins, the Commander of AFDA, They approved the plan, and on May , 1974 MG Robbins and Dr S.J. Lucasik, the Director of ARPA, signed a Memorandum of Understanding to carry out the development.

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Rome Air Development Center(RADC) joined the program during the Summer 197 RADC is the component of the Air Force Systems Command which is responsible for advanced computer science research. They are jointly funding the development, and are also serving as the ARPA Agent for NS contracts.

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National Software Works Design Concepts

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Overview

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The National Software Works will be a software development environment on a very large scale. It will be built on a computer network to reach a wide user community, and will integrate a continually growing collection of specialized services to support the development of

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software for a variety of diverse hardware. A typical terminal session will involve operations on several different machines. Consider the construction of a software system for the Burroughs B3500 using the COBOL language. Programmers may want to use the NLS editor on a PDP-10 to enter their source programs and to prepare their documentation. To reduce the cost of on-line storage, some of the files may be stored elsewhere on one of the new trillion bit storage devices like the Ampex TBM, which offers on-line storage at a cost of about a dollar per megabit per year. A Burroughs B6700 might be used for preliminary syntax checking and interactive debugging. Perhaps the best test data generator runs on an IBM 370. Finally, the software should be tested on a Burroughs B3500. The machine on which a tool runs has come to be called a Tool Bearing Host (TBH). The essence of the National Software Works idea is to make the best possible tools available by decoupling the selection of Tool Bearing Host hardware from the selection of production hardware.

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Initially, the NSW will be built on the ARPANET, which interconnects

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fifty computers, distributed over the United States, London, and Hawaii. An incomplete list of the operating systems at various hosts includes TENEX, ITS, and 1050 for the PDP-10, ANTS and ELF for the PDP-11, Multics for the Honeywell 6180, MCP for the Burroughs B6700, and variations of OS, VS, CMS, and TSS for IBM 360s and 370s. Its user community includes many experienced researchers working on ARPA supported projects. These researchers will provide constructive criticism, and the results of their research will become directly available to DoD personnel through the NSW. 2c1b

At present, the ARPANET is merely a communications system for interconnecting independent facilities. Each machine is owned by a different organization, the user must have registered himself in advance at each site, have established credit, and arranged to be billed for the time he uses. He must know how to log into each machine and how to transfer files among them. 2c1c

IN the NSW, it must be easy for a developer to use tools on several different kinds of hosts, files must automatically move from one host

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to another, and the command languages and file naming conventions must obey standard conventions wherever possible. 2c1d

A Framework is being built for the NSW which will eliminate the problems associated with the current ARPANET. It will centralize accounting and automatically perform host logins, tool invocation, file access, and file movement for the user. The initial Framework will run in a single network host, but eventually the Framework will be distributed across hosts. The parallelism is needed for capacity and reliability. Rules will be defined for adding new tools to the environment. It is understood that some effort will be required to install tools in the NSW; that is the price of achieving standardization without discarding existing operating systems. There are no plans at present to have the Framework optimize the use of hardware resources. Tool installers and users will decide where files are to be stored, which hosts will support a particular tool, and whether whole files or partial files should be moved to perform a given operation. The Framework will help them make good decisions by

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simplifying the implementation of the various alternatives, and by providing feedback on costs. Tools which have unique and non-standard interfaces, or tools which run on hosts which are inefficiently connected to the Network, will be allowed; they should be so much less attractive to users than tools which are tightly coupled into the environment that they will gradually disappear. 2c1e

In order to provide a more consistent interface, users will access the NSW through Front-End network access machines. The access machines will know which characters require action by the tool being used, so that input characters can be collected and transmitted in blocks. The access machine will also support some local command interpretation and user prompting. Whether additional functions should take place at the user site, for example text editing, is an open issue. 2c1f

A New Capability for Project Control

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A view of the NSW as a mere lash-up of tools which happen to reside on the ARPANET would be extremely short-sighted. The fact that all

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programmer contact with tools passes through a common communications media with immense computing resources creates an opportunity for the study--and perhaps control--of the whole process of large program creation and maintenance. 2c2a

In the production of a large software system, numerous programmers, analysts, and managers cooperate in a venture whose end product is, in some sense, a single entity. In the course of their work toward this goal, they prepare, edit, and manipulate a very large number of pieces of "text" of various types: routines in a programming language, data descriptions, structured data objects, modules of object code produced by a compiler, assemblages of such modules linked together by a link editor, items of program documentation, and so on. 2c2b

To the degree that all of these types of text are either machine-processable or machine-producible, it is reasonable to say that they are all either prepared (and repaired) by project members or produced by "tools" by which we mean elements of support software invoked by computer specialists to operate on pieces of text. 2c2c

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The number of such pieces of text which come into existence in the course of a large project can be astronomical, and even the number in some kind of active status at a particular time is likely to be huge. It ought to be clear that any absence of control over this large and shifting inventory of material is an invitation to confusion and the almost total absence of any support software for "inventory control" might have something to do with the high and uncontrolled cost of program production (and perhaps something to do with our difficulties in figuring out what we are doing wrong). 2c2d

Suppose by contrast that the total inventory of text pieces were explicitly regarded as one logically integrated data base -- the Project File -- and that some piece of support software were charged with the responsibility of managing that data base. This piece of software -- for the moment, let us call it the File Manager -- would of course, keep books on the contents of the Project File. These books would include not only the character and status of each item in the Project File, but also its relationship to other items in the File

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(that A is a later version of B, that C is the object code module corresponding to COBOL test D, and so on), 2c2e

It should be obvious that, if we have designed the books correctly and arranged matters so that they are always kept accurately and completely, they provide the data crucial to any serious attempt by management to explore or control what is happening in the project,

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It is, of course, essential to any interesting use of the project book that they always be complete and correct, and that there be no path of entry to the Project Files unguarded by the File Manager. This suggests strongly that an individual programmer's use of his tools -- at least when that use yields a non-transitory (Filed) result -- must always be reported to (and, perhaps, controlled by) the File manager. 2c2g

To arrange matters so that this requirement is met is extremely difficult when the support software designer is confined to the resources of a particular local hardware: to keep the File Manager and its books effectively on line at all times may be insupportably

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expensive. Indeed if a projects development work is performed on several computers with no communication among them, it may be logical impossible to create a reasonable File Manager. Thus, it is not surprising that there has been no serious attempt to provide a facility of the sort we have described: at least the naturalness, if not the feasibility, of the idea depends on a unification and scale of computing resource found only in gigantic machines or in networks.

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A fairly powerful query system will be provided to answer questions about any filed entity: what it is, where it came from, what other entities depend on it, etc. Later we will introduce a variety of experimental tools for project control which use the File Manager's books as their primary data or use the fact of the File Manager's existence as their means of invocation (after all, the later provides single control point "awakened" every time anything interesting happens). Here are some proposed tools:

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Project Status Reporter: This relates the present status of the

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files to the overall project plan (in machine-readable form),
identifying bottlenecks, critical paths, etc. 2c211

Project Accountant: This produces reports on the frequency and cost
of various patterns of activity interesting to project management.

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Policy Enforcer: Everybody in Section A must use the same version of
function X; no programmer may link up two routines until each is
adjudged debugged by a section manager; no programmer may start
debugging until all his code is written; no programmer may write any
code for phase 2 of the project until he has written all his code
for phase 1; no programmer may start writing a new routine until his
last is documented. The above list of (rather inane) policies are
meant to suggest a large family of more reasonable policies which
might apply to some or all programmers at various phases of a
project. If a plausible way of expressing such policies in
machine-readable form can be developed, it is no great trick to
devise a tool which is invoked by the File Manager to verify that

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the present action of some programmer is consistent with policy, so that the action may be inhibited or permitted accordingly, 2c213

The use of such new tools by the project would of course, be optional. In any event, the research community can make use of such tools to collect the data it needs to discover what makes program development and maintenance so expensive. 2c2j

Internal Design

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The software which comprises the NSW can be divided into three major components which have been given the (hopefully suggestive) names: Work Manager, Foreman, and Front-End. Each of these these names refer to an aspect of the NSW which requires analysis and design, and whose result will be some set of programs. The programs will communicate with each other using a new Procedure Call Protocol (PCP). 2c3a

The Works manager is the heart of the NSW. It acts somewhat like an operating system in that it accepts requests for the performance of work (requests for tool use), arranges the initiation of that work,

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keeps track of work in progress, does cleanup after completion of a piece of work, manages file storage, and so on. It differs sharply from a conventional operating system in that its primary function is not optimal resource allocation, but rather validation of the work request and protection of the integrity of the files. Here, both validation and protection are to be taken in a far wider sense than has heretofore been customary in the programming field. 2c3b

The Works Manager will create and maintain an extensive catalogue of each project's inventory of filed objects. This catalogue will include both structural and historical information about each object (when was it made at whose request, by what tool, from what other filed objects; what other objects have been made using this one as data; what truths about this object have been asserted, or proved; and so on). Since the Works Manager will also have access to descriptions of the characteristics of all tools within the NSW, it can be seen that validation of a work request can be unusually exhaustive: does the tool exist, do the input files exist, are they of the right type and status

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for this tool, are the files and the tools both of the right status to be used by this user at this time, and so on. 2c3c

In the same way, any entry of a new object into the files will be supervised by the Works Manager, which will perform all updates to the catalogue implied by the existence of the new object. Thus, the idea of file integrity is expanded to include catalogue integrity, which both permits strong validation of work requests and transforms the catalogue into a powerful data base for future tools (ranging from a simple query system which answer questions about the contents of the project files to experimental tools in automatic programming which map a desired object into a best sequence of tool calls to create it -- given what objects are there already). 2c3d

The Foreman is that component of the NSW concerned with taking a well-defined and fully validated request for tool use and actually getting the job done. It receives an encoded message from the Works Manager which says, in effect, "At the request of user X on host Y, execute the COBOL Compiler on Host Z, using file HENRY on the

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Datacomputer as input and filing the result on the Datacomputer under the name GEORGE and, when the job is finished, send me the message W. The Foreman worries about fighting the host protocols and arranging the communication so that the requested task is in fact performed. 2c3e

While the works Manager component clearly has as implementation some integrated family of programs resident on the NSW hosts, the structure and location of the programs which do the Foreman's job are by no means so self-evident. A portion of the work will be centralized in the NSW host, but other portions will be handled by pieces of program implemented in each Tool-Bearing Host and in each Front-End user access machine. There are some complex issues here, where best design may be different for "closed" tools, like compilers, on the one hand and "open" tools, like editors, on the other. The goal will be to establish a small number of standards, called "Tool Bearing Host Protocols", which all Tool Bearing Hosts and tools must obey, and leave each tool installer as much flexibility as possible to take advantage of special characteristics of his environment. 2c3f

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The Front-End will normally execute in a PDP-11 mini-computer which sits between the user's terminal and the ARPANET, but the system will also run on a PDP-10 TENEX time-sharing system to support users whose terminals are connected to TIPS.

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All commands to the Works Manager or to any tool must be given through the Front-End. It will provide terminal control, aid the user in command specification, parse commands, and communicate with the appropriate resource(s). While each tool domain within the NSW may have a vocabulary unique to its area, this vocabulary will be used within language and control structures common throughout the NSW. A user will learn to use additional functions by increasing vocabulary, not by having to learn separate "foreign" languages. When in trouble, he will invoke help or tutorial functions in a standard way.

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The Front-End will inform the Works Manager whenever the user attempts to access or create new files, save the user's commands for intervals between tool checkpoints (if the tool is capable of checkpointing its environment), allow the user to reissue old commands, allow the user

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define and use command macros (abbreviations) and interact with tools (Upon user request) to "undo" the effect of commands where possible.

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A Command Language Interpreter (CLI) will interact with the user to allow him to give commands to various NSW tools, the Works Manager, or other NSW facilities. The CLI must also be able to handle machine-oriented messages from NSW tools or the Works Manager and translate those messages to an appropriate man-oriented language form.

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Tool builders will be able to take advantage of the Front-End's command interpreter instead of having to develop their own user interface.

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The Command Language Interpreter is driven by two data structures, a Command Language Grammar and a User-Profile data structure. These data structures are sent to the frontend either by the Works Manager or by the tool system as needed. The command language available to the user at a point in time is represented by the union of the grammars active at that point.

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The Command Language Grammar is a data structure that describes the user interface for a tool or the NSW Works Manager. A Command Meta-Language (CML) for specifying the user interface will be developed, and a compiler will be implemented to produce command language grammar data structures from the CML. 2c311

A User-Profile will be loaded by the frontend when the user is authenticated by the Works Manager. It controls such things as how much help or prompting a user receives when using a particular tool, what commands are available, and other information tailoring the system to the user. The information in this data structure can be changed upon user request or adaptively by programs based on user behavior. Updates to the User-Profile must be reported to the Works Manager. 2c312

The Terminal Controller interfaces the Command Language Interpreter to the particular display or typewriter terminal being used. Displays can be used as typewriter terminals or as full two-dimensional devices. The Terminal Control contains primitives

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for subdividing display screens into rectangular windows and for allowing the user to select text displayed on a screen as arguments in commands to tools. Because certain classes of work that the user want to do within the NSW environment involve remote job entry to batch processing systems, the frontend will be able to handle such devices as card readers and punches, line printers, and tape drives

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An operating system interface module, consisting of a set of virtual operating system primitives, will be used to make the Front-End as operating system independent as possible. This will enable the Front-End to be transferred to other equipment later. The Front-End systems will be maintainable, loadable, and (symbolically) debuggable from a remote timesharing (TENEX) system. The main features needed to support remote debugging are expected to be supplied with the operating system.

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Implementation Guidelines

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The NSW is being built as a loose confederation of tools, with no

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technical bounds on the number of tools or the number of users which can be supported. An initial system, oriented toward the construction of COBOL programs for the B3500/B4700, is scheduled to begin operating during the summer of 1975. The initial tools will include a text editor, a COBOL compiler, and a document publication facility. Once the concept is demonstrated, hardware can be added to support more users and tools can be added to support a wider variety of software activities. 2d1

Initially the NSW will be composed of large modules with few actions identified. As such, it will operate in a largely conventional manner without much cooperation among the modules. Over time, the coordination and cooperation among the modules will be tightened through the replacement of modules and the incorporation of new ones that identify and report all their important activity to the Works Manager. 2d2

Participating Organizations 2e

Government Agencies 2e1

Air Force Data Automation Agency (AFDAA) 2e1a

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Air Force Data Services Center

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AFDSC is an operational element of the Air Force Data Automation Agency (AFDAA). Its mission is to plan, design, develop, and implement computer based management information systems, and to provide automatic data processing, computing and management science services to the Headquarters Air Force and the Office of the Secretary of Defense in the Pentagon, and other agencies as assigned.

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Air Force Data Systems Design Center

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Federal ADPE Simulation Center

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Rome Air Development Center

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Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA)

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Contractors

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Applied Data Research(ADR)	
Massachusetts Computer Associates (COMPASS)	2e2a
Stanford Research Institute(SRI)	2e2b
Bolt Beranek and Newman(BBN)	2e2c
MIT Project MAC	2e2d
UCLA Campus Computing Network(CCN)	2e2e
Speech Communications Research Laboratory(SCRL)	2e2f
Computer Corporation of America(CCA)	2e2g
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The AFDSC Environment

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AFDSC in the Pentagon operates three dual processor Honeywell G-635s and one (newer) H6060, all with the GCOS operating system. It also operates a dual processor Honeywell H-6180 with the Multics operating system and an IBM 360/75 running OS/MVT. One of the G-635s is unclassified; the rest of the systems are classified. The IBM 360/75 is used strictly for batch processing. Multics, which is a large interactive system and well-suited to the manipulation of on-line databases, is used for high priority operations research and budgeting models. Three of the four GCOS systems provide time-sharing partitions. GCOS time-sharing programs are typically small, and frequently supplement large batch systems (e.g. - prepare input transactions or scan output). GCOS Time-Sharing (TSS) is ill-suited to the debugging of batch programs because of core restrictions (24K words is a practical upper bound) and because the TSS monitor calls are different from the batch monitor calls. Many important batch subroutines (e.g. IDS file update) will not run under TSS, and in any

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case, correct TSS execution does not guarantee a program will run in batch. 3a1a

The first G-635 was installed in May 69. The conversion effort from the old IBM 7094s involved months of parallel operation, part of it using a commercial service bureau and part of it with the new equipment installed. The development effort has now stabilized, with majority of the Center's resources devoted to production and maintenance. The IBM 360/75 was installed in . It was acquired to support an existing workload, so there was almost no conversion and development cycle. Multics was acquired during FY74, and a majority of the work on the machine can still best be classified as development.

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About 20% of the AFpSc manpower (19.9% in FY73, 23.1% in FY74, and 19.7% for the first five months of FY75) is devoted to developing new systems or making major modifications to old ones. Of the manpower devoted to development, 15.8% in FY74 and 21.4% in FY75 were for new Multics applications. Those amount to 3.6% and 4.2% respectively of

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total manhours. Except for Multics, a miniscule amount of machine resources were devoted to development. Considering only GCS and the 360/75, the numbers are 7.5% in FY73, 7.7% in FY74, and 4.8% thus far in FY75. These facts are summarized with the statistics in Table 1.

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TABLE 1: AFDSC Resources Devoted to Software
Development

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	FY73	FY74	FY75
Non-Multics Development vs Total Manhrs	19.9%	19.5%	15.5%

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Multics Dev Total Manhrs	0	3.6%	4.2%	
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All Dev vs Total Manhrs	19.9%	23.1%	19.7%	
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Computer Time For Dev vs All Computer Time	7.5%	7.7%	4.8%	
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It is very difficult to analyze the resources devoted to production and maintenance. The problem is to separate the simple execution of software which has been thoroughly tested and remains static for long periods of time from the making and testing of minor modifications. One indication is the abort rate for production activities, which averaged . Obviously there is more to running production than simply reexecuting a standard program against different data. A related problem is the cost of these production aborts. The average cost of each production abort on the G-635s was . Because the average waiting time in queue for batch jobs on GCOS, for example, is , and is usually much worse than average during the crucial budget update cycles, programmers faced with overnight deadlines must frequently make minor changes and run production against large data files without having tested their changes. In the present environment there is no alternative. 3a1q

The last aspect of the AFDCS environment which impacts on Center use of the NSW is the hardware acquisition and replacement schedule. The

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schedule is important because major development, modification, and conversion efforts at AFDSC correspond to acquisition times of new hardware. The GCOS machines are currently being enhanced, which will extend their economic life through FY . The IBM 360/75 is programmed to be upgraded or replaced during . Multics will be upgraded during and is scheduled to be replaced in .

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AFDSC Operated Computer Service Bureaus

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IN addition to providing complete management information systems, systems analysis, and computer support to Hdq USAF and OSD, AFDSC provides computer time to AF and DoD organizations which have their own analysts and programmers. A component organization is the San Antonio Data Services Center (SADSC) in San Antonio, Texas. It offers remote access from several locations throughout the Southwestern US to an IBM 360/65 running OS/MVT. SADSC will soon be offering Burroughs B4700 service as well. A new Washington Area Data Services Center (WADSC) is scheduled to begin operation soon with either a B3500 or B4700. SADSC is operated as an industrially funded activity, with usage-based

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charging and full cost recovery. It is planned that WADSC also be operated on that basis. Since a goal of the NSW is to establish an economic marketplace for software tools and computer time, the NSW's proposed approach to resource allocation is in complete agreement with AFDSC operating policies for its regional service centers. An important aspect of the NSW from the AFDSC point of view must be the possibility of providing NSW tools and services to other AF and DoD organizations.

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AFDSC Requirements For NSW

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Usage Scenarios

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Table 1 classifies AFDSC development workload, and for each category identifies the most significant problems being addressed by the NSW. Tools which are required to support each category of work are also identified. Among the AFDSC requirements which are not included in the table are backup for production systems and communications among different vendors' mainframes. NSW technology is relevant to

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these requirements. However, the NSW's present development efforts assume that the production machines will not be connected to the network, and hence will not be under the control of the NSW framework. Refinement and specialization of the NSW design would be required to build a suitable environment for supporting the AFDSC production workload.

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Requirements for Tool Bearing Hosts

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Honeywell G635 or H6000 with GCOS

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The primary requirement is for testing batch jobs. Source level interactive debugging is required for COBOL and FORTRAN.

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The number of interactive programs which merely supplement batch systems indicates that transaction processing may be more efficient in the Center's environment than time-sharing. Heretofore, TSS has been used because there is no reasonable debugging environment for transaction systems. If such an

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environment could be established, then much of the Center's interactive workload might shift to transaction processing. That would eliminate the problems associated with batch and time-sharing incompatibilities which have plagued AFDSC programmers.

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Tools are required for designing, implementing, and restructuring random, ISP, and IDS data bases.

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The new WWMCCS data management system (WWDMS) is purported to allow non-programmers to maintain a computer database and retrieve reports from that database. WWDMS is enough like a programming system that it will be desirable to bring WWDMS under the control of NSW project management and performance evaluation tools.

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That implies installing WWDMS as an NSW tool (or more likely, a set of NSW tools). A standard GCOS machine is needed for final testing of batch systems. In cases where the data is

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unclassified and non-sensitive, that machine may also be used for production work, evaluation tools. A standard GCOS is needed for final testing. 3a3b1e

IBM 360/370 With OS

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There are requirements for FORTRAN, COBOL, and possibly PL/1 development on the 360/370. For each language, source level interactive debugging is required. 3a3b2a1

A number of vendors offer libraries of database management subroutines for the IBM 360 which can be used as building blocks for applications systems. These routines are similar in concept to ISP or IDS for Honeywell GCOS machines. It is important to include such tools in the NSW. 3a3b2a2

Several vendors also offer self-contained datamanagement systems for the IBM 360. The Informatics MARK IV system is

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supported at both AFDSC and SADSC. As with WWDMS, it will probably be desirable to install MARK IV as an NSW tool, and bring the MARK IV development work load under the control of the project management and performance evaluation tools.

There are known requirements to development and maintain transaction systems for the IBM 360. An example is the query system for military pay records at the Air Force Accounting and Finance Center (AFAFC) in Denver, Colorado. To effectively debug such systems, which are tightly integrated with the telecommunications handler, a virtual machine environment is required so that operating system level code can be debugged. Since the machine used to run the production transaction systems will almost never be a VM machine because of the high overhead associated with VM, which would reduce overall through-put, this is a natural NSW application.

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A standard OS system is needed for final testing. In cases where the data is unclassified and non-sensitive, that machine may also be used for production work.

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Tools which execute on a 360/370 IBM but support development for other machines will be used

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to validate the hypothesis that tools built for one machine can continue to run on it, but be applied to the development of software for other machines. Examples are verification and testing tools (including test data generators) and programs for restructuring COBOL and/or FORTRAN into reasonable structured variants of the ANSI standards.

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An unclassified Multics is required to support development of software for other machines, and so that NSW project management and

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evaluation tools can be applied to the development of Multics software. Multics seems to be the correct environment for a sophisticated debugging system for GCOS software. Janus and RDMS are database management tools for Multics. It may also be possible with Multics to supply, as a "feature" of the NSW, the ability to securely protect information and thus to guarantee privacy.

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Requirements for Tools

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Tools for controlling and maintaining existing software systems.

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A significant portion of AFDSC manpower is devoted to maintaining, making minor modifications and scheduling operation of production systems. For the NSW to help in the short run, ways are needed to move these production systems into the NSW environment so that superior tools can be used by maintenance programmers. Some of the means to this end follow: Source, object, and job control must be copied into the NSW file system.

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The attributes of input and output files must be defined, Linkages must be established between component subroutines on the installation library and the production software. We need to put Narrative documentation must be put on-line, other goals would be to produce machine readable abstracts and other documentation to implement release and change control, to restructure badly structured programs, and to establish libraries of standard test data and/or results.

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Yellow pages

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The NSW can be viewed as a library of development tools. A catalog, or yellow pages, is needed so that users can locate applicable tools when they start to work on a new kind of problem. The directory system could be based on keywords, or it could be a full text retrieval system which operates against the narrative descriptions of the tools. In the long-term, a hybrid of those two approaches will be needed. The directory should include information about a tool's cost, maintenance status,

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reliability (including trouble reports), who maintains it, and the existence of a user community. Tool installers should be able to determine if organizations which do not at present have access to a tool should still be made aware of its existence via the directory.

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Software libraries.

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There are many cases when software should not be written at all -- existing codes should be used. The NSW must provide access to software libraries to facilitate their use. Ideally it should be possible to access all existing libraries using a standard command language. In the short run we won't have them all, and we won't overcome all command language idiosyncracies.

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Libraries containing subroutines or components which can be used as building blocks and incorporated into the application software.

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Libraries of self-contained applications systems,

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These two kinds of libraries will have to be handled differently especially with regard to accounting and release (copy permission).

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The difficult cases are the libraries of subroutines or components which the user can incorporate into the software system he is building. Access control is very difficult with such tools. Three alternatives have been identified thus far: Subroutines and other components can only be used in the vendor environment and the system will not allow you to copy a load module out without paying a stiff exit fee.

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The subroutine can be called across the network for debugging, and the user would again be charged a stiff exit fee. 3a3c4b

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Only certified linkage tools are allowed to access the subroutine library, and the user is charged each time he builds a new object module.

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An effort should be made to get libraries of government-owned software installed as tools. Regardless of the rules for releasing components, a record must be kept with information about who uses the subroutine, on what machine, under what operating system and with what result. There must be a complete audit trail of all copies so that the users can be notified when the subroutine or component is modified. These release control considerations apply to self-contained systems (which the user may want to copy and run on hardware external to the NSW) as well as to subroutines and components.

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Batch scheduler,

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The purpose of the batch scheduler is to maintain a complete applications system in the NSW file system. The file should include any necessary job control information as well as the source and the object for component modules. 3a3c5a1

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Some systems provide for run-time options. We would like the NSW to control the specialization of the standard system so that records can be kept on which options are exercised,

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Applications systems usually require mass storage files and/or tapes. Since many vendor supported systems do not provide for cataloging, sequencing of new versions, etc., it seems desirable for the NSW to offer these services. They will be provided by tool(s) which (if they are developed new for NSW)

must be written in COBOL or FORTRAN for a widely available computer system(s).

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Once the selection of run-time parameters and the control of production datasets is made internal to the NSW, there are numerous opportunities to provide enhanced capabilities at relatively low cost. An example is a time-sensitive scheduler. Criteria might be established for when the system should run (e. g., the first Tuesday of every month). The NSW scheduler would automatically identify correct data sets, run the appropriate job (on one set of target machines) and distribute the results. Time sensitive scheduling could be implemented by a MULTICS scheduler. NOTE: Many jobs scheduled this way will be run by having the operators move tapes from NSW to independent production machines. An analogy can be made with second generation batch scheduling, except the NSW has

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automated much if not all of the work of the production coordinators and operators. 3a3c5d1

Software conversion aids 3a3c6

b. Conversion to New Hardware 3a3c6a

Computer hardware has almost doubled in effectiveness and performance per unit cost every three years for two decades. Software conversion costs have prevented operational organizations from taking the fullest advantage of these cost reductions. 3a3c6a1

The NSW environment will help this problem in three ways:

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The existence of a large pool of competing service centers will make new hardware systems available soon after they are announced, at least on a small scale. New system development can take place on the new hardware. Where it is cost effective, old tools can be converted. There is

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likely to be a substantial overlap during which remaining tools can continue to be accessed on their old hardware,

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The NSW will include a collection of tools for converting production software to run on different (and normally newer) hardware.

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The NSW will include hardware emulators. In some cases it will be possible to build software for projected hardware through emulation. That will make it possible to delay selection of the production hardware until 1-3 years into the development cycle. The resulting savings could be as much as 50% of hardware costs. This is of course a longer term objective.

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Management Considerations

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Cost predictions

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Enough data should be collected to predict what a given activity will cost. There should be one or several tools to help tool installers define the characteristics of their tools and provide the users with cost predictions. The Works Manager must collect the historical data which these tools require as input.

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Usage Audit Trail

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A record of when tools were used and by whom, and the operating system version they ran under, should be maintained. Users must be able to control who knows they use a tool and indicate whether they want to talk to other people about how it works. When the operating system on a Tool Bearing Host (TBH) is changed, all tools must be tested, or they must be moved to a lower maintenance category and identified as not being converted to the current operating system. When the user has a problem, he must automatically be given the option of submitting a trouble report.

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Access to this information is a significant issue which must be studied and a policy formulated.

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Maintenance Categories

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Each tool must be assigned a maintenance category. The highest category will imply a level of support equal to or superior to that provided by any vendor today. Consultants must be available to assist tool users. The maximum time to respond to trouble reports and fix known bugs must be tightly constrained. Notification to users must come a year or more before a system's support is withdrawn. When a vendor stops supporting software, the source code must enter the public domain. Statistics should be kept and published on user complaints and acknowledged bugs. Lower maintenance categories will be appropriate for tools which are useful but non-essential. For example, an experimental debugging tool could be used even if there was no guarantee of its continued existence. DoD users are likely to install tools developed in-house in less than the highest maintenance category.

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in order to reduce their obligation to support outside organizations.

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Directory Information (yellow Pages)

Cost and maintenance information must be included in the director of tools.

Cost Recovery

efficient use of NSW facilities must be encouraged by charging and reimbursement policies which reflect the true economic value of the services used.

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Air Force Data Systems Design Center

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Rome Air Development Center

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Requirements for Advances in Software Technology

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Verification and Testing Tools

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Tutorial Tools

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Intelligent Diagnostic Processors 3d3

Data base design aids 3d4

PART III: OPERATING PLAN 4

Interim Operation, 4a

The NSW should be viewed as an in-house DOD system, regardless of whether the hardware is government-owned, leased and operated by the government, or operated by private concerns. The overall system must be managed by a government organization which understands the operation of reliable, cost effective computer services. That managing organization will maintain the central accounting files, monitor performance, enforce standards, and provide general support to the system's users. If the NSW satisfies current expectations, the managing organization will probably have to be separate DOD agency, to provide balanced support to all three services. One of the operational organizations participating in the development effort must take responsibility for the interim operation. 4a1

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The AF organization tasked to operate regional service centers is the Air Force Data Services Center. It already operates a center in the Pentagon to support the Air Staff and OSD, and a center in San Antonio to support government users in the Southwestern United States. A new center is planned for the Washington area to support users outside of the Pentagon,

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AFDSC is the logical choice to be interim manager of the NSW. ARPA will of course have to be involved, but AFDSC should immediately begin planning for this operation, and be ready to assume control as the development nears completion. The Washington Area Data Processing Center (WADSC) is the correct organization to assume these responsibilities. It is in the Washington area, and unlike AFDSC in the Pentagon, it is preparing to serve a diverse and open-ended customer base,

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Computer hardware to support the initial operation of the NSW is an important issue. Requirements have been identified for GCOS, MULTICS, and IBM 360/370 development machines. Additional B4700 capacity is also needed. The IBM 360/370 requirement and the B4700 requirement can both be

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satisfied by adding SADSC to the ARPANET. The only available GCOS machine is System C at AFDSC. It is already saturated, however, so it will be able to support NSW users only if its capacity is expanded. Backup is also needed. The best solution is to enhance AFDSC System C, and find at least one and hopefully two other GCOS machines. Likely candidates are Create at Wright-Pat AFB, the Air University H6060, and the H6060 at Hdq AFSC. They are identified because they could be attached to existing ARPANET IMPS. A more ambitious solution would be to attach the GE Mark III system to the ARPANET! The NSW Framework will be able to control access through the ARPANET to users on valid DOD business. 4a4

The RADC MULTICS is the logical choice to provide an Unclassified MULTICS development environment. MIT can be used for backup and access to special software. 4a5

Connection of SADSC, AFDSC System C, RADC MULTICS, and one additional GCOS service are provided for in the budget. 4a6

Some of the most important questions in planning for the long term

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operation of the NSW revolve around computer resources: how much capacity is needed, on what kinds of machines, located where, operated by whom, and how are scarcities to be adjudicated. There does not seem to be a "right" answer to these questions if the NSW is to be centrally controlled. The problems are greatly simplified if the equipment is rented and managed by organizations with the flexibility to change equipment quickly. An alternative is to have the using organizations take responsibility for satisfying the majority of their own hardware requirements, and only rely on other network facilities for loadsharing, backup, and limited use of specialized resources. Assuming that the hardware selection is handled in one of those ways, the important issue reduces to budgeting the correct amount of money for computer support.

4b

Two approaches have been taken to estimating required computer support budgets.

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4b1a

The first technique was to assume that NSW service should be

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deliverable for about the same price per connect hour as the AFDSC unclassified time-sharing system, which costs \$14 per hour. 4b1b

Assuming 6 hours connect time per day while coding and testing, and that half a person's time is devoted to design and administration, one gets 3 hours per programmer per day. 4b1b1

4b1b2

4b1b3

Thus, organizations should budget $15 \text{ hrs/wk} * 50 \text{ wks/yr} * \14 hr , or about \$10,000 per technical person per year for computer time. Organizations which are already making heavy use of in-house time-sharing systems will probably already be budgeting this way. Organizations which are doing their development in a batch, card oriented environment will find that their computer budget is a smaller percentage of their personnel budget, and will increase when they move to NSW technology. 4b1b4

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The second technique for estimating operating costs was to analyze AFDSC accounting data for FY74 and the first five months of FY75. The machine cost per programmer hour directly chargeable to a GCOS or 360/75 software development or modification project was found to be \$4.00 in FY74 and \$3.70 in FY75. Those figures reflect the fact that much of the computer time for testing is on batch systems. Using 150 direct hours per year gives an estimate of between \$5,500 and \$7,000 for computer time for each technical person working on software development.

4b1c

It should be noted that both estimation techniques produce values which are true if all costs are to be recovered, as they would have to be if time is purchased from an outside vendor. The AFDSC accounting charges only recover the rental and maintenance charges on the computer hardware. There is no amortization of government owned equipment, nor is any charge made for floor space, operators salaries, or systems programmer salaries.

4bid

Use of the NSW will clearly separate the charges associated with

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developing them. Software developers will have a much more predictable environment in which to work. No longer will the development effort be slowed or stopped because priority production work drives the development and maintenance programmers off the machine. 4b1e

Whether the development effort is supported by in-house rental equipment or by other computer service centers on the ARPANET does not seem crucial. The profit for contractors operating computers on the ARPANET ranges between zero (for non-profits) and 10%. Those fees are insignificant when compared with differences in efficiency among organizations. From a reliability standpoint, the important thing is that several centers operate interchangeable services. AFDSC has been attempting to lease equipment based on service actually delivered to users at terminals under the MULTICS contract. Service from vendors on the ARPANET is in complete agreement with that model. Because each vendor is a clearly defined cost center, it will be easier to compare cost and service received. Thus, for processing which does not require a classified environment, purchase of computer resources on a

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fee-for-service basis on the ARPANET is in many ways preferable to
in-house lease and operation of equipment. 4b1f

PART IV: DEVELOPMENT PLAN 5

Basic development program 5a

Research to support advanced requirements 5b

PART V: FUNDING PLAN 6

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(J31835) 10-FEB-75 18:55;;; Title: Author(s): William E.
Carlson/WEC; Distribution: /DLS([ACTION]) MAN([ACTION]) LAC([ACTION])
INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: WEC; Origin: <
CARLSON, AFDA-5-YEAR-PLAN,NLS;14, >, 10-FEB-75 18:46 WEC ;;;;

CARLSON, AFDA-5-YEAR-PLAN,NLS;1, >, 11-JAN-75 09:03 WEC ;;;;####;

letter to mccutheon

dear sam,

1

i have been following your efforts at merdc to expand your customer base with great interest. i recently had an opportunity to discuss your service with two non-amc activities, they were cacta at fort leavenworth and caa in bethesda. cacta informed me they were no longer using your services because their requirement needed a higher speed computer than a 6600; however, they told me they had always found merdc very responsive. caa advises me they are still using your service and they also find you responsive.

2

i am also following our joint efforts to couple you with the arpa net for i feel that opens your doors to more business. we are anxious to assist you in finding business to keep your unit cost of computation down until the amc workload grows more. i am sorry the remote batch capability has been so slow arriving. i discussed the matter with john cianflone and ron uhlig recently and we still feel that we should concentrate on getting your computer into the arpa net as part of our phase one effort. john and ron will be in touch with you in the near future to discuss funding and uses for your imp until it becomes self supporting.

3

SMT 10-FEB-75 19:38 31836

letter to mccutheon

(J31836) 10-FEB-75 19:38;;; Title: Author(s): Stan M. Taylor/SMT;
Distribution: /JCG([INFO-ONLY]); Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: SMT;
Origin: < GILBERT, LTR-TO-SAM,NLS;3, >, 10-FEB-75 19:36 SMT ;;;####;

My example

Happy valentine's Day, cutie,

My example

(J31838) 11-FEB-75 08:32;;; Title: Author(s): Mary Louise
Slezycski/MLS; Distribution: /JBLL([ACTION]) JBLL([INFO-ONLY]) ;
Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: MLS;

message

Next time you go skiing why don't you take us with you? You
shoulhave been here yeerd This classwas really slow. All those on
Lee Hamil's terminalally pai,off.

1

SGR 11-FEB-75 08:39 31839

message

(J31839) 11-FEB-75 08:39;;; Title: Author(s): Susan Gail
Roetter/SGR; Distribution: /MLS([ACTION]) SGR([INFO-ONLY]) ;
Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: SGR;

party

Are you going to the party at Arlington Hall on Friday?

1

MLS 11-FEB-75 08:41 31840

party

(J31840) 11-FEB-75 08:41;;; Title: Author(s): Mary Louise
Slezycki/MLS; distribution: /IMM2([ACTION]) IMM2([INFO-ONLY]) ;
Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: MLS;

my message

huaarh this weekend is three days long, A one time good deal,

1

JSP 11-FEB-75 08:43 31841

my message

(J31841) 11-FEB-75 08:43;;; Title: Author(s): John S. Perry/JSP;
Distribution: /CAN2([ACTION]) IMM2([ACTION]) EFF([INFO-ONLY]
); Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: JSP;

FTP'ing NLS files

You can't use FTP for NLS files - Sust txt files. I think there's documentation on FTP in the TENEX User's Guide. To transfer nls files there's a program ftpmsys that can be loaded in the program subsystem. You can put Stars in fields to transfer a61 NLS files. I have to check to see if other files can be transferred with ftpmsys. I'll let you know. Only documentation would be in help or with ? when in the program. I need to learn how to use this (I've been using another old hack) so if you have trouble let me know and I'll try it and see what happens. Susan/FEED

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FEED 11-FEB-75 08:47 31842

FTP'ing NLS files

(J31842) 11-FEB-75 08:47;;; Title: Author(s): Special Jhb
Feedback/FEED; Distribution: /JMB([INFO-ONLY]); Sub-Collections:
SRI-ARC; Clerk: FEED;

The Systems Approach 1

Two Types of Planning 2

Short-term budgets and detailed functional plans include such matters as short-range targets for salesmen, budgets for material purchases, short-term advertising plans, inventory replenishment, and employment schedules. 3

Strategic planning. Strategic planning is the process of determining the major objectives of an organization and the policies and strategies that will govern the acquisition, use, and disposition of resources to achieve those objectives. 4

(J31843) 11-FEB-75 08:47;;; Title: Author(s): Mary Louise
Slezycski/MLS; Distribution: /IMM2([ACTION]) IMM2([INFO-ONLY]) ;
sub-collections: NIC; Clerk: MLs; Origin: < SLEZYCKI,
SMITH.NLS;1, >, 11-FEB-75 06:18 MLS ;;;;the snow is coming.####;

test message #3

4-3. COMMUNICATIONS SHOP. The communications shop will maintain aircraft communications systems and components, including assigned test equipment which is not maintained by the PMEL or avionics AGE activity. Special responsibilities include maintenance of direction finder equipment that is an integral part of airborne radios, crash position indicating systems, secure voice systems, and radio life support equipment. The shop chief will insure that his personnel do not make unauthorized or false transmissions on international distress frequencies by requiring strict adherence to procedures outlined in TC 12-1-38.

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RBIM 11-FEB-75 08:51 31844

test message #3

(J31844) 11-FEB-75 08:51;;; Title: Author(s): Robert E.
Mortenson/RBIM; Distribution: /CAM2([ACTION]); Sub-Collections:
NIC; Clerk: RBIM;

part of my file

This is the third paragraph and I am not indenting . This is the next and I hope the final sentence. This sentence is to be appended to the end of statement 3.

1

JSP 11-FEB-75 08:52 31845

part of my file

(J31845) 11-FEB-75 08:52;;; Title: Author(s): John S. Perry/JSP;
Distribution: /EFF([ACTION]) MLS([INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections:
NIC; Clerk: JSP;

DOCUMENTATION REQUEST

PLEASE SEND ME 4 HARD COPIES OF THE COMMAND SUMMARIES. THIS IS DONE
AT JEANNE BECK'S SUGGESTION,

DOCUMENTATION REQUEST

(J31846) 11-FEB-75 08:59;;; Title: Author(s): Robert E.
Mortenson/RBIM; Distribution: /FEEDBACK([ACTION]) RBIM([INFO-ONLY
]) EFF([INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections: NJC FEEDBACK; Clerk: RBIM;

FEED 11-FEB-75 09:27 31847

Status of request for dirs (31780,)

With the new accounting brought up this weekend - the new dirs are in the ARPA-NSW group - separate from the ARPA group.

FEED 11-FEB-75 09:27 31847

Status of request for dirs (31780,)

The directories you requested have been completed, susan/FEED

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FEED 11-FEB-75 09:27 31847

Status of request for dirs (31780,)

(J31847) 11-FEB-75 09:27;;; Title: Author(s): Special Jhb
Feedback/FEED; Distribution: /LAC([INFO-ONLY]) CKM([INFO-ONLY])
AAB([INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: FEED;

DAP 11-FEB-75 09:34 31848

the sendmail subsystem

another way to send messages

the sendmail subsystem

This is your verry first JOURNAL MAIL!!! Aren't you excited?

To send messages through the journal system, you first GOTO SENDMAIL OK: (here don't forget a carriage return). Then type I (for INTERROGATE). The system will then prompt you for the information it needs; Distribute for action to [IDENT], TITLE (anything you want), Distribute for information-only to [IDENT], Type of source (which for the moment is message; type "m", then type in your message. . . DON'T type a carriage return until you're completely finished with your message, it will screw up the works), Show status ("type y for yes if you want to see what you've done), Send the mail now? type yes to send it. Then type "Q" (for quit) to get back to BASE C: and business as usual).

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DAP 11-FEB-75 09:34 31848

the sendmail subsystem

(J31848) 11-FEB-75 09:34;;; Title: Author(s): David A. Potter/DAP;
Distribution: /AMH([ACTION]) ; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: DAP;

MAP2 11-FEB-75 13:10 31850

Packet Radio Project Directories on Office=1

Any action on this request yet?

Packet radio Project Directories on Office-1

3-FEB-75 1023-PST *PLACKO: OFFICE-1 Directories for Packet Radio Project

Distribution: NORTON, placko, fralick at sri-ai
 Received at: 3-FEB-75 10:23:35

1

Jim,

As a result of discussions with with Bob Kahn I'd like to request the following two directories on Office-1 for the Packet Radio Project, they would be allocated from Carlson's NSW slots,

1a

Directory name: FRALICK
 IDENT: SCF
 Account:
 Password: SCF
 Disk pages: 300
 Allocation Group: ?
 Default protection: 770000
 Person's name: Fralick, Stanley C.
 Address: SRI
 Phone: 326-6200 x3279
 Organization: SRI/PRWG
 Function: Project Leader of Packet Radio Project at SRI

Directory name: PRSEID
 IDENT: PRSEID
 Account:
 Password: PRSEID
 Disk pages: 300
 Allocation group: ?
 Default protection: 770000
 Person's name: Allan, Daniel S.
 Address: SRI
 Phone: 326-6200 x3636
 Organization: SRI/PRWG
 Function: Packet Radio Project Systems Engineer and Technical Director

-- Mike

1b

MAP2 11-FEB-75 13:10 31850

Packet Radio Project Directories on Office-1

(J31850) 11-FEB-75 13:10;;; Title: Author(s): Michael A.
Packo/MAP2; Distribution: /JCN([ACTION]); Sub-Collections: NIC;
Clerk: MAP2;

Most Useless Command Contest

ref (25313),...There was no specific exclusion of commands outside NLS. The 'system' from our view point has to include the network, an unfortunate circumstance the past few weeks!!

Most Useless Command Contest

With lost characters, 10 minute echo lags, and 5 suspended connections per hour; my candidate for most useless command is: @ 1 43,..In 3 weeks y'all will appreciate this more.

1

Most Useless Command Contest

(J31851) 11-FEB-75 13:58;;; Title: Author(s): Duane L. Stone/DLS;
Distribution: /DVN([ACTION]) POOH([ACTION]) EJK([INFO-ONLY])
RJC([INFO-ONLY]) ELF([INFO-ONLY]) JPC([INFO-ONLY]) RBP([INFO-ONLY]) DFB([INFO-ONLY]) ; Sub-Collections: RADC; Clerk: DLS;

FEEED 11-FEB-75 15:34 31852

Request for Command Summaries

Your command summaries are in the mail per (31846,).

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FEED 11-FEB-75 15:34 31852

Request for Command Summaries

(J31852) 11-FEB-75 15:34;;; Title: Author(s): Special Jhb
Feedback/FEED; Distribution: /RBTM([INFO-ONLY]) JMB([INFO-ONLY])
; Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: FEED;

this is a test of the sendmail system

PF 16-OCT-74 06:35 31172
 some thoughts on Comp. Augmented Comm.
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31172, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

1

PF 16-OCT-74 06:22 31171
 t
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31171, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

2

PF 15-OCT-74 08:21 31168
 Costs of Engelbart
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31168, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

3

PF 15-OCT-74 05:26 31167
 Scenario rationales previously written
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31167, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

4

PF 13-SEP-74 12:56 31051
 Review letter
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31051, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

5

PF 3-SEP-74 10:06 31032
 AT&T
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31032, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

6

PF 3-SEP-74 10:04 31031
 AT&T
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 31031, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

7

PF 9-JUL-74 11:27 30923
 Cross Impact
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 30923, 1:w)
 *****Note: Author Copy*****

8

PF 11-APR-74 14:32 30456

this is a test of the sendmail system

final letter to G.H. Mellen
Location: (JJOURNAL, 30456, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

9

PF 11-APR-74 11:42 30453
Letter to Mellen
Location: (JJOURNAL, 30453, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

10

PF 5-APR-74 14:41 30420
incasting
Location: (JJOURNAL, 30420, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

11

PF 3-APR-74 12:24 30398
incasting
Location: (JJOURNAL, 30398, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

12

PF 3-APR-74 11:42 30397
Location: (JJOURNAL, 30397, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

13

PF 12-MAR-74 15:14 30218
Vacation carry-over
Location: (HJOURNAL, 30218, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

14

PF 12-MAR-74 08:07 30212
Questionnaire Response
Location: (HJOURNAL, 30212, 1:w)
*****Note: Author Copy*****

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MIKE 12-FEB-75 07:47 31853

this is a test of the sendmail system

(J31853) 12-FEB-75 07:47;;; Title: Author(s): Michael T.
Bedford/MIKE; Distribution: /MIKE([INFO-ONLY]); Sub-Collections:
NIC; Clerk: MIKE;

FGB 12-FEB-75 18:58 31854

Costs for COM & Hard Copy Printing

Pete, I am sending you the following costs for your information,
Frank

Costs for COM & Hard Copy Printing

Computer Output Microfilm (COM) 1

There is approximately a five day turnaround for receiving Xeroxed proofs. Imitation line printer font offers no problem. A report may be proofed on a terminal and then sent to COM to obtain printing masters. Any complicated formats (e.g., columnation, many changes of fonts, etc.) will probably require a minimum of three iterations. Forethought, in preparing a complicated report, is required. For example, inserting special characters to indicate changes of font (these characters are then replaced with Output Processor commands using Substitute Text in Plex). Duane Stone of RADC has experience in this area which he is more than willing to share. They prepared a JOVIAL manual using the COM system. 1a

The costs are as follows: 1b

- \$2.00 per page for microfilm if there are NO font changes;
\$2.10 per page otherwise 1b1

- \$0.10 per page for Xeroxed proofs from microfilm 1b2

- \$0.30 per page for camera ready copy 1b3

So, for example, the cost of a 100 page report would be approximately as follows: 1c

- imitation line printer 1c1

one pass at \$2.00 x 100 = \$200.00 1c1a

Xerox proof at .10 x 100 = \$ 10.00 1c1b

camera ready copy at .30 x 100 = \$ 30.00 1c1c

total \$240.00 1c1d

- complex report 1c2

min. 3 passes \$2.00 x 100 = \$600.00 1c2a

3 Xerox proofs .10 x 100 = \$ 30.00 1c2b

1 Camera ready copy at .30 x 100 = \$ 30.00 1c2c

Total \$660.00 1c2d

Doug Englebart's latest report is a good example of a complex report requiring multiple passes. 1d

Costs for COM & Hard Copy Printing

Cost for Hard Copy Printing after COM

2

After you add quality control, overhead, etc., printing at SRI costs about \$.75 a page for ITEX Masters (good for about 1000 copies) and about 2 cents per impression (impression = copies X pages) for printing in the range of 100-500 copies.

2a

Cost per impression goes down as you make more copies. Other possible costs are \$1-5 per page that includes line drawing or halftone illustrations, and various costs for various types of covers and binding. Typical inexpensive cover and binding is \$.45 per copy.

2b

That means 100 copies of a typical 100-page report without artwork but with covers would cost about \$225.00.

2c

I will mail you a sheet with more detailed costs.

2d

Offset printing is a genuine open marketplace. That means costs vary with geographical location, whom you talk with, what he thinks he can stick you for, and the leverage and skill of the person who negotiates with the vendor. In general SRI, for accounting reasons, is a moderately expensive place to print. In general the Bay Area is high cost. I suppose NSRD has a large enough volume to have some leverage with local printers and has some one who is experienced in negotiating with them. Maybe not if you are required to go through the Government Printing Office,

2e

For the future. As you may recall we are negotiating with George Lithograph for COM service (link). Unlike DDSI, George is a printer and wants to do the printing themselves. My guess is their prices will be moderately lower than SRI's.

2f

Costs for COM & Hard Copy Printing

(J31854) 12-FEB-75 18:58;;; Title: (Unrecorded) Title: Author(s):
Frank G. Brignelli/FGB; Distribution: /PRB([INFO-ONLY]);
Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: FGB;