LOGNOTE -- Chief, Operations Group, 28 October 1986

1. [____] C/Ops today met with C/ESG, C/ADD, and ADD staffers to   STAT
review planning for field bureau modernization. C/Ops reiterated
his full support for bureau automation and commo upgrades, but
stressed the need to be fully involved in the planning. C/ESG
agreed and advised that current plans for the bureaus fall into
three basic categories: 1) LCAB automation; 2) commo line upgrades;
and 3) possible AFS Headquarters commo software upgrades. The need
for this latter item will be reviewed after the commo upgrade
proposal has been defined.

LCAB/Automation: Planning now is to place LEC in a position to
complete the Vienna LAN by early CY-87, respond to ad hoc
operational requirements in a way that would be compatible with the
LCAB design, and, in FY-87, install LCAB systems in one or more of
the Far East bureaus. C/Ops is in agreement with this general
schedule and has supplied ADD with a prioritized list of bureaus
scheduled for automation. In this context, LEC is subcontracting
with CRW for continued development of existing BACH software with a
view toward incorporating BACH into LCAB planning. Installation of
a small LAN in Key West falls under the heading of an ad hoc
operational requirement to provide the necessary hardware and
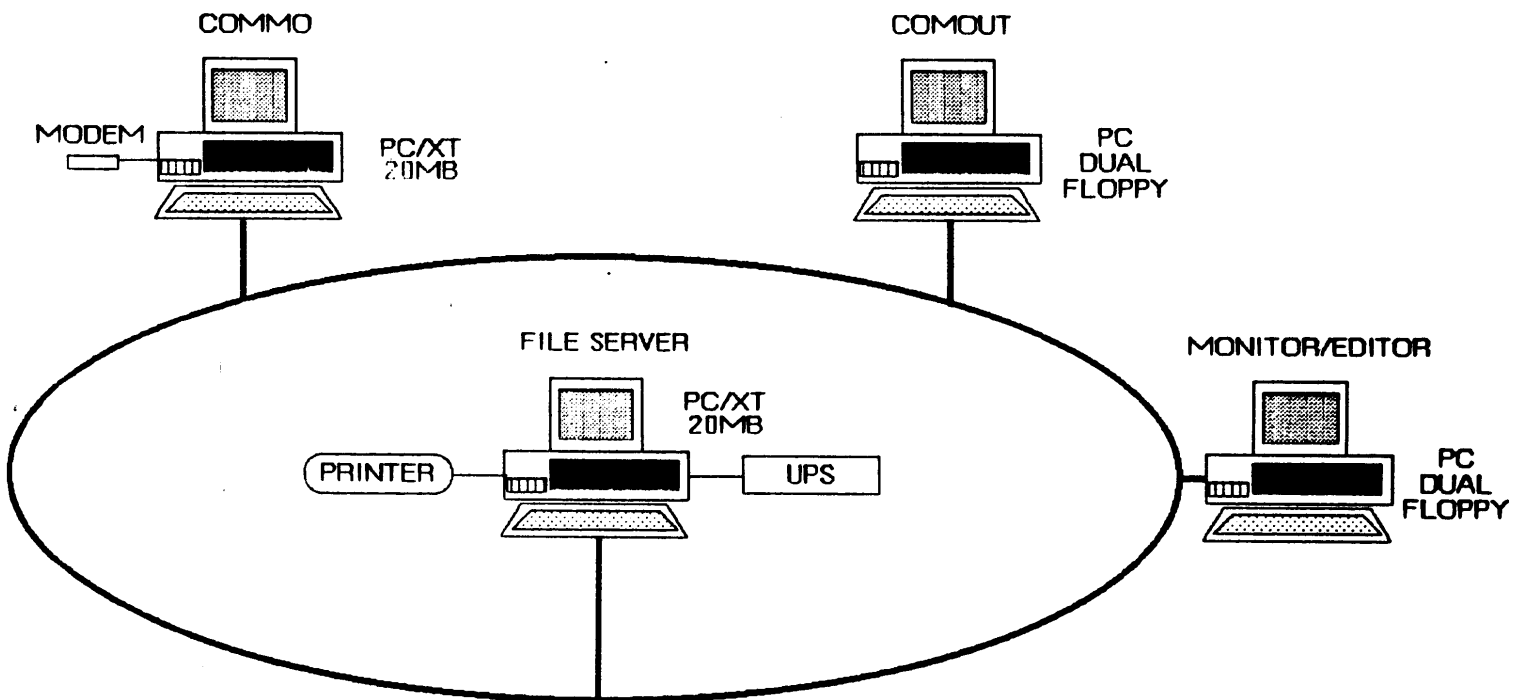software to support the commo upgrade now underway (see attached).

Commo Line Upgrades: ADD/[____] is preparing a paper for C/ESG   STAT
and C/Ops review listing the range of commo alternatives for each
bureau and Headquarters. This paper will address such issues as
eliminating Autodin, providing commercial alternatives, increasing
baud rates, and identifying alternatives to current switching
centers. C/ESG noted that these proposals are unfunded items for
which he would expect to use some modernization and some base
money. The hardware for the commo upgrades would, for the most
part, be the same hardware to be used for automation. Other
possible costs would be higher phone bills in some cases and the
possible need to lease some dedicated lines. No decisions will be
made on any of this until the ADD paper is completed in early
December.

A discussion was then held on what policy to follow regarding
bureau automation initiatives and hardware procurement before LEC
completes the LCAB design. It was decided that new initiatives by
bureaus will be discouraged, bureaus will be kept fully informed on
modernization planning, and ADD will continue to upgrade BACH and
provide BACH support to the bureaus.

The problem of Cologne Unit teletyping was also raised, although
Cologne is not included in the current LCAB planning. ADD will look
into solutions for this. It was also agreed that London Bureau was
not an "LCAB" bureau although it will be included in the LEC
proposal. A requirements analysis at London will have to be done
early in the program.

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