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THE ASBESTOS STOCKPILING SITUATION

The stockpile is attempting to obtain the following three types of asbestos:

1. Amosite (The Cape Asbestos Company, of London, England, has a world monopoly on this type.)
2. Chrysotile (The Turner Newell Company, of Rochdale, England, has a monopoly controlling the best type of chrysotile asbestos--that having a low iron content, suitable for electrical insulation)
3. Crocidolite (obtained in Bolivia).

During the past several years, and to date, efforts to obtain the first two types of asbestos have been extremely disappointing. The English companies refuse to cooperate in making material available to the stockpile, and the British Government apparently has been unable to bring pressure upon them. The Federal Supply Service, the FCA, and the Munitions Board have all attempted to secure these types of asbestos.

Inasmuch as both the Foreign Assistance Act of 1948 (the FCA Program), and the Military Aid Program of 1949 (MAP) contain provisions that require the foreign countries to assist the United States in obtaining strategic and critical materials in which we are deficient, the State Department should make appropriate efforts to facilitate the obtaining of asbestos for the Government stockpile by bringing pressure upon the British Government.

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