

A. The Office of Economic Opportunity. Mr. Sanchez is the director of the middle-Atlantic region. He met with me this morning along with the various state directors from the seven or eight states involved.

Q. Did your discussion touch on the State setting up vocational rehabilitation schools to be located in Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County?

A. No, the State was not brought into that discussion. I'm most interested in the provision of additional vocational education opportunities, but I think that the location and the scope of these schools needs a thorough study by our educational authorities at the State and local levels before we make any determination as to where they're to go. For example, when I was in Baltimore County we talked about vocational schools in the southeastern and southwestern parts of the county. Now, this is just one county, so if they figure they need two big vocational schools, I don't think it's feasible to have one school handling three counties or two counties and the City.

Q. On this subject, if the State and Federal governments put up the money, would you agree to that?

A. The state is getting very poor. I say that not to cry, but I point out that for education the State provided the subdivisions with \$60 million this year. It's not realistic to think that the State, which is not receiving any increased assistance from the federal government, can continue to increase the amount of its assistance to local governments. We put in a tax program that was quite a departure from the norm and we've taken a lot of abuse for it. I'm still not apologizing for it. I'm still proud of it. I still think it was necessary. But I don't think it is realistic to think that the State should be the fountain from which all programs flow. There must be a concurrent Federal and local effort along with the State's effort.

Q. Have you any suggestions on an airport authority?

A. No, I have not. I feel very strongly that we should create an airport authority. Not just to include Friendship, but to include other airports of a general aviation and commercial nature. I think that we're working on such a program. Mr. Crane, Mr. Mandel and I have discussed it, and I would hope that we'll have some legislation ready for the next session of the General Assembly. This is not to criticize Baltimore City's handling of Friendship. I think they have done an excellent job with it, but they just don't have the money to expand it to the degree needed, and they don't have the collateral geographic scope to operate other possibly profitable enterprises to supplement