

1 question which is kept in mind, I would think the results
 2 of this Committee's activities are just bound to be pro-
 3 fitable and valuable to this State.

4 With respect to the first question, what
 5 political subdivisions should be used, and more particu-
 6 larly to subquestion A, with respect to Baltimore City,
 7 I think I would simply refer to a comment I made a little
 8 earlier, that I think whatever classification or categori-
 9 zation is established for local government in the State
 10 of Maryland, perhaps municipalities as separate from
 11 counties, if you do indeed make that dichotomy or main-
 12 tain it in the future, Baltimore City should be a part of
 13 it, fit into it harmoniously somewhere.

14 Now, with respect to subquestion B, the aboli-
 15 tion of small cities in particular; I would think again
 16 the comments made earlier by Mr. Ratchford, in particular,
 17 and others and myself that the size of the cities is
 18 perhaps not the guidepost and I think more specifically
 19 the guidepost is services and really again to refer back
 20 to the general ideal as to which level of local govern-
 21 ment and what kind of government can do the best job for