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CHR to SMT via CH

Project LOBSTER - Terminals in CH Area

1. Following our conversation yesterday, have contacted AG and have been advised that he expects SMT to co-ordinate the statement of user needs for LOBSTER terminals. Have now been asked by CH to summarize section needs.

KDTs (Keyboard Display Terminals)

2. During phase-in of LOBSTER, CH programming and initial operations will require access to approx six LOBSTER KDTs. This need is expected to increase to approx 14 x KDTs with full operational use of LOBSTER.
3. Fourteen KDTs would constitute a 1 for 1 replacement of the DD7000s linked to BACKER (see note 1) and would provide for a small increase in CH staff. If however CH staff numbers were to rise significantly or if KDTs allocated to CH were to be shared with other elements of DSD, such as CT or SMT2, then additional KDTs would be required.

With respect to overall numbers within CH, it is believed that the KDT/staff ratio should be held at a level of about 1 to 2 and preferably below 1 to 3.

Other Terminals in CH

4. The minimum need for other LOBSTER terminals in CH is, one medium-speed plot-capable printer and one (preferably two) lower-speed printers (cf. Model 40).

Location and Access

5. When working on KDTs, CH staff use voluminous materials such as program listings, manuals, logs, worksheets and output from earlier jobs and can need layoff area of up to twelve square feet, six sq.ft. each side of keyboard. For overall utility the optimal arrangement would be for KDTs to be dispersed throughout the CH area.
6. The grouping of KDTs in a small shielded zone within CH would be a poor alternative as CH area would be continually disrupted as staff moved their work materials and workplaces. Also habitability would require transparent shielding and at least one wave-guide protected entrance lobby. Any suggestion that LOBSTER KDTs be located in some area remote from the CH office would have to be even more strongly opposed.

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7. If TEMPEST proofing of individual KDTs were not possible, (print terminals could be located in shielded room 3.17) then serious consideration should be given to shielding all or at least a large part of the CH office-area.

Note 1. It is anticipated that there will be a residual need for access to KDTs linked to BACKER until its rollout. Within one year of LOBSTER entering operational use, the need for BACKER KDTs terminals will reduce to approx eight KDTs and one Model 40 TTY, and a further year later to approx four KDTs and one TTY until rollout.

2. Approximate figures for KDTs during LOBSTER phase-in,

	Year-1	Year-2	Year-3	Later
BACKER	14	8	4	0
LOBSTER	6	10-12	14	14 plus ?