assay procedures have been evaluated. M.R.D. Subsidiary of General Transportem.

- b. (S) Ecology and Establish (U):
 - (1) (S) 1-House (U):
- (a) (8) The E & E In-House group has continued on the surveillance of VEE (Voezuelan Equine encephalitis virus) in the Dugway area.
- (b) (S) VEE diagnostic data on 500 Pacific bird sera (DTC) have shown 31 esumptive positive group A arbovirus reactors. These are under study for onfirmation.
- () (S) Pacific soft tick studies on tularemia transmission are in progess.

(2 (U) Contracts:

- (a) (S) A contract was let to Oklahoma University Research Institute for acologic and epidemiologic studies in Central Alaska between 15 July 1964 and 31 May 1965. A pre-contract team from E & E Branch was sent to Alask to collect during the period 29 June to 21 July 1964.
- (b) (S) Contract work with the University of Utah continues. Survey effect on Pasteurella pestis will continue in view of past findings. No evidence including Dugway Proving Ground as a source of spread of test infections was ound. A strain of Pasteurella tularensis of low virulence has been found in plents and rabbits. Contractor will determine the distinction between Dugw originated organisms and endemic organisms regarding their separate influence a surveillance data. Completion of 60,000 IBM cards on surveillance studies by to 1956 was approved.