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1 you think." And if they come back with valid reasons why  
2 not, you maybe give in to them or you find out if there's  
3 a solution to them which allows your Department to agree.  
4 That's one scenario.

5 It's another scenario to say, "This is going in  
6 here, be damned. And I'm going to get my officials to  
7 make sure it goes in there regardless of the merits of  
8 it."

9 Is there a distinction between those two scenarios?

10 A. Well, there would be, but I guess you're trying to  
11 apply that to this situation and I just --

12 Q. I'm merely asking you, in abstract, whether --

13 A. No, but people will --

14 Q. -- whether I'm on to anything as to whether there  
15 really are two different scenarios?

16 A. Yeah, people will jump to the conclusion, of course,  
17 that this applies to this project. And that's the  
18 problem with your question.

19 Q. Well, let's leave this project out of it, because I  
20 think it's --

21 A. Well, let's --

22 Q. -- very important --

23 A. Yeah.

24 Q. -- to try to figure out where the lines are here.

25 A. Well, let's look at this project as an example,