

purposes. Where the chapel is located on surplus land and it is determined the chapel may properly be used in place, a suitable area of land may be set aside for such purposes and sold with the chapel (§644.430).

§644.488 Soliciting applications for purchase of chapels.

Promptly upon receipt of an approved DA Form 337 (Request for Approval of Disposal of Building and Improvements) or AF Form 300, the DE will solicit applications by public advertising. Advertising will consist of publication of notice in newspapers, paid advertising when necessary, posting of notices in public places, and mailing of invitations to all known local churches. A period of thirty (30) days will be allowed in which to file written applications. Instructions will provide that the applicant will give his name, address, and denomination if applicable. The advertisement will describe the chapel, give its location, terms and conditions of sale, and the time and place where application must be filed. The advertisement will also state that the sale price will be made available upon request of interested parties, and that the Chief of Chaplains will select the purchaser. To assist that office in making a recommendation, the following information should be included in applications for the purchase of chapels:

- (a) Purpose and intent of the use of the chapel.
- (b) Facilities currently being used by the church/organization applying.
- (c) Membership size of the church/organization.
- (d) History of the church/organization and when established locally.
- (e) Denomination and/or organization.

§644.489 Conditions of sale of chapels.

When sold under the provisions of §644.490, chapels shall be sold subject to the condition that during their useful life they will be maintained and used as shrines or memorials, or for religious purposes, and not for any commercial, industrial, or other similar use. The contract or deed of sale will provide further that in the event the purchaser fails to maintain and use the

chapel for such purposes there shall become due and payable to the Government the difference, if any, between the appraised fair market value of the chapel, as of the date of the sale, without restriction on its use, and the price actually paid. This difference should be figured at the time of sale and included in the contract of sale or deed of conveyance.

§644.490 Determining price and provisions of sale for chapels.

(a) *Price.* The sale price of the chapel structure in the case of sale for use as a shrine, or memorial, or denominational house of worship, will be at its fair value in the light of the conditions imposed relating to its future use, and the estimated cost of removal from the site. Appraisals made to establish the price of specific chapels will be predicated on:

(1) The fair value of the material in place, less the cost of dismantling, removal of the material to the outside limits of the installation, and the cost of restoring the site.

(2) The restrictions imposed on the future use of the chapel with due regard to the difference between the fair value price obtainable in the open market and that which might be obtainable in the limited market to which sale is restricted.

(3) In addition to the criteria set forth in paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this section cognizance will be taken of the prevailing prices of chapels being sold by other disposal agencies within the general area in which chapels are being disposed of by the Corps of Engineers.

(b) *Provisions of Sale.* (1) Disposal of chapels which are not excess or surplus will be conditioned on the removal of the chapels from the premises. In the disposal of chapels located on excess or surplus leased land, no commitments will be made to purchasers for the continued use of utilities and services (sewer, water, electric, fire protection, guarding). Arrangements may be made between the lessor of the premises and the purchaser to leave the chapels in place, provided the lessor releases the Government from any and all obligations to restore the premises occupied by the chapel.