The unrealistic period of time imposed for the return of containers (48 hours) results in cargo being unloaded or transferred from a Minmorflot SSSR or MPS SSSR [Ministry of Railroads, USSR] container to analogous departmental containers for further shipment by motor transport; this is inadmissible under the new conditions of management. An urgent need has arisen to establish a workable period of time for recipients in the port of Magadan to return containers, one which will permit them to be delivered directly to consignees located in central districts of the oblast.

Ministries and departments in the oblast do not take adequate measures to ensure the continued development and improvement of industrial equipment at subordinate receiving bases, oil tanks, vegetable storehouses, and warehouses. This makes it impossible for them to take appropriate measures in relation to stockpiling the indispensable reserves of material, liquid fuel and other goods needed to ensure a steady supply of the above to enterprises and to the population. Consequently, transport lies idle and products frequently deteriorate. In our oblast, these problems are most prevalent in Minstvetmet SSSR and Agroprom* RSFSR, even though they are also present in many other corporations.

For instance, every year in October there is not enough capacity in potato storehouses for storing the 12-15 tonnes of potatoes, which come through the port of Magadan, destined for the directorate of the Workers Supply Corporation "Severovostokzoloto". The necessary space must be procured and adapted for the storage of potatoes; this is accomplished by temporarily "confiscating" the warm storehouses, garages, and other facilities of various proprietors. Of course, it is very complicated to