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THE SKYLINK
The Rebirth of Pleasant Living in New York

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Informatics (n'fr-m'tcs.),n. Direct, quick and dramatic communication of information, making the most effective use of ideas, words and visualization.

This artist's rendering shows an industrial and freight complex located on the Hudson River in the Harlem area. New York Airways helicopters are transporting freight to and from barges that are continually moving up and down the river. The SKYLINK is between the barges and a pier adjacent to the industrial complex and also special freight cars on tracks which are connected with the New York subway system. At the left is a huge warehouse facility serving all of metropolitan New York, made possible by the linkage of subway freight trains and barges through SKYLINK.

The top of the warehouse has a baseball and football field. Over the industrial complex is a park, a place for limited area games, a department store and a snack bar. On the highest level there is a restaurant where people can enjoy good food, all of the activity and the view up and down the beautiful Hudson. The entire development is identified as a Work and Recreation Center which is described in the booklet entitled, "You and the Ghetto WaR".

This is conceived as one of many such SKYLINKS operating in the New York - New Jersey metropolitan area. Numerous subway stops throughout the area serve as Subway Freight-Stations. At each station, a freight is packed or unpacked from metal containers in which it is transported to and from SKYLINK stations on special subway flatcars which run on the track during down time of passenger traffic. The barges serve as a water link between the SKYLINK stations and rail and motor freight facilities, as well as warehouse facilities, strategically located both inside and outside the metropolitan area. Freight is also carried between the SKYLINK stations and air freight terminals at airports directly by helicopter, eliminating the barges, when shipments are by air.

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