

Mr. LINDSAY. In the first year, how much?

Mr. ASHLEY. The full amount.

Mr. LINDSAY. Yes. I think that that commitment ought to be made. Obviously, you have got a pipeline problem, and the expenditures would spread out.

Mr. ASHLEY. So if there weren't additional appropriations, which you suggest might be the case, the problem would in effect be over when selection was made presumably during the first year of the program, with the submission of the project plans from the various cities?

Mr. LINDSAY. Yes, it could be, the commitments could be made.

Mr. ASHLEY. Now, you suggest \$2.3 billion the first year. Do you find fault, or do you have any question about the number of cities that has been proposed by the administration, or proposed in the administration bill?

Mr. LINDSAY. Here again there is a problem of balancing out. I think I commented on this in the main testimony.

Mr. ASHLEY. What I am getting at, Mr. Mayor, is that if we have 60 cities, if we don't disturb that, even if we would allocate or make available the \$2.3 billion the first year, this really would not—if New York were one of the 60 cities, you would still be in serious trouble. I don't see that this has answered your question.

Mr. LINDSAY. We would be in serious trouble, there is no doubt about that. I am urging the widest and deepest beginning that can be made on this. And one way to begin is to permit, as I suggested, communities under the demonstration cities program to go ahead and receive their commitments from the Federal Government for the full amount and let the pipeline get started, authorized and approved, and the commitments made.

Mr. ASHLEY. And New York would simply, in that situation, be 1 of 60 cities whose plan if approved, or plans if approved, would share in the \$2.3 billion?

Mr. LINDSAY. We would still be short—a rough guess on my part would be that demonstration cities program here to be meaningful, really meaningful in New York, will cost us a billion for the bare bones of the renewal aspects on the physical side and a billion on the human side. So there is \$2 billion right there.

Mr. ASHLEY. You are \$2 billion short of Mayor Cavanagh right now.

Mr. LINDSAY. His is a comprehensive for all city development. I am talking purely about a single demonstration cities project in New York City that would be meaningful.

Mr. ASHLEY. It is a single one in one of these areas that you have delineated, is that correct? For example, in Bedford-Stuyvesant are you talking about a \$2 billion program for that area?

Mr. LINDSAY. No, I am talking about our submission that we would make under the demonstration cities program that we think would be a meaningful one for the city of New York, and would allow us to make a dent and would not put us in the position of having to make impossible choices between areas that are desperately in need of attention.

Mr. ASHLEY. But the bill does call for a particular section or neighborhood on a broader scale than hitherto possible under any Federal program. Now, I am not asking you to make the selection, which might be embarrassing for you. But let's just say that one of