

DEMONSTRATION CITIES AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING OF THE
COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10 a.m., in room 2128, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. William A. Barrett (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Representatives Barrett, Mrs. Sullivan, Ashley, Moorhead, Stephens, St Germain, Gonzalez, Reuss, Widnall, and Fino.

Also present: Representatives Gettys and Mize of the full committee.

Mr. BARRETT. The committee will come to order.

This morning, we have as our first witness Mr. Boris Shishkin, representing the AFL-CIO.

STATEMENT OF BORIS SHISHKIN, SECRETARY, HOUSING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. SHISHKIN. Mr. President, I appreciate the opportunity to be here before your committee and to testify on these bills which are before you now, which deal with what I call America's urban revival. We have been talking about renewal and redevelopment, but I think that what is involved here in response to President Johnson's proposals and other bills that the chairman of this committee has presented, taken together, represents the broad revival of our urban centers, both large and small. And I want to emphasize this today, because I think it goes all the way across the board.

Mr. BARRETT. Mr. Shishkin, the committee is glad to have you here this morning because your statement is always edifying and informative. And if you desire to complete your statement before we ask you any questions, you may do so. And at the end of your statement, we will use our regular procedure under the 5-minute rule, and each of the members will have an opportunity to ask you any questions.

You may proceed.

Mr. SHISHKIN. I thank you very much.

I have a statement here. I don't want to take the time of the committee to read the entire statement. I would like to have it inserted in the record as if presented, please.

Mr. BARRETT. That may be done, without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. SHISHKIN. I will try to summarize the essential points in this presentation of mine.