

standard, living up to the requirements that we anticipate they should have?

Mr. WILLIS. We have met fully the Federal requirements for relocation of decent, safe, and sanitary housing. We are not unaware, however, that this is a problem. We have proceeded under 221(d)(3). We have now under construction 200 units and an additional 400 units and are about to receive Federal commitments. There are other aspects of meeting the relocation problem which we agree is a serious one and will have to be solved. We have not had serious problems on the projects we have already cleared in our execution. We know the job will be a large one should we go into this, but that, too, can be solved.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. The housing that you are now building is replacing substandard housing?

Mr. WILLIS. Yes.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. You have low-income families in that housing?

Mr. WILLIS. Yes.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. What is it going to be replaced with?

Mr. WILLIS. At the present time, the area under construction in the St. John's project area is providing 1,200 units, 1,000 of which are of a middle income—I distinguish middle from moderate, and 200 of which are moderate. We have low-rent public housing in the project areas at this time. We have 3,800 units in the city of low-rent public housing.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. 3,800 low income. How many people were displaced in these projects that were low-income families?

Mr. WILLIS. I don't have that figure.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. Approximately?

Mr. WILLIS. I can only say that, in general—the densities we are putting back are higher than—in general, the densities that are going back into the projects are higher than the number of units that we renewed. However, I know your point and I appreciate fully the housing that is being built is not meeting the needs of the families who were displaced.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. Looking to page 3 once again, point No. 3 provides housing or places that our residents can afford. This program that you are contemplating in the Demonstration Cities Act, if you are a successful applicant, you would give more thought to replacing the housing, low-income housing with housing for low-income families, is that correct?

Mr. WILLIS. I wouldn't say more thought. We have been conscious of this problem all along.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. You thought you could put that into execution?

Mr. WILLIS. With the public housing that is available which would be more acceptable in Jersey City than some of the larger units, and we are building 286 public housing units in the city at this very moment. That is not adequate to meet the needs, but we are progressing in that field with the new provisions of the Housing Act, and with the new programs for leasing and rent supplement, if you will, we can solve more of this problem and hopefully all of it.

Mr. BARRETT. Mr. Willis, Mr. Fino has a couple of short questions.

Mr. FINO. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just have one question, Mr. Mayor.