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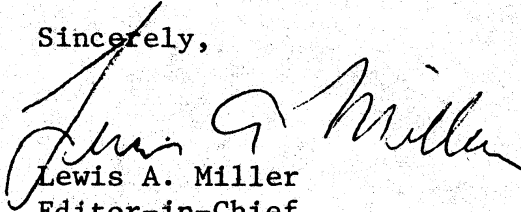
Dear Sir:

J. Richard Crout, MD, director of the Bureau of Drugs of the FDA, recently testified before the Senate sub-committee on monopoly chaired by Senator Gaylord Nelson on the issue of pharmaceutical industry "dominance" over continuing medical education.

Enclosed is a preprint of an editorial challenging Dr. Crout's testimony, which will appear in the August 1, 1976 issue of Patient Care, a controlled circulation publication received by approximately 100,000 primary physicians twenty-one times a year.

Because of your membership on a congressional committee involved with matters of health, we felt you would want this editorial called to your attention. Although we properly can speak only for Patient Care, we believe -- and we hope you do, too -- that the issues raised by Dr. Crout in his testimony deserve a balanced review. For this reason, we would welcome any comments you may have.

Sincerely,


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