

Mr. VOYLES. In the United States.

Senator NELSON. And then it is sent in bulk?

Mr. VOYLES. In bulk, and in Mr. Rody's testimony, he said I believe there were 300 kilos shipped this year.

Senator NELSON. And that is about 600 some pounds, I think a kilo is 2.2 pounds.

Mr. VOYLES. A kilo is 2.2 pounds; yes.

Senator NELSON. And that is how many, 300 kilos is how many tablets?

Mr. VOYLES. Approximately 10 million dosage units.

Senator NELSON. You would make about 10 million?

Mr. VOYLES. Yes, sir.

Also, there is a couple of other points I would like to make.

Where I come from, I have seen an example of Ionamina in Lubbock. A very well-to-do, very respected woman was arrested in the latter part of September with 60 dosage units of Ionamina.

I cannot give you the details of the case other than I know it is still pending, the charges she was arrested on by the local police, but the point is this, that it is being abused.

She would never think of going out into the street and buying a drug, yet she would go through the trouble to get a prescription.

Senator NELSON. She had used it?

Mr. VOYLES. Yes, sir.

Thank you.

Senator NELSON. Thank you very much.

Mr. VOYLES. We would like to seal this up now if we could.

Senator NELSON. Certainly.

Mr. VOYLES. This exhibit in Operation Blackjack, we identified a pharmacia in Mexico.

Our intelligence information in the case is that this exhibit here of Ionamina came from the same pharmacia as many of the exhibits we got of Biphetamina during Operation Blackjack.

Senator NELSON. The same pharmacia?

Mr. VOYLES. The same pharmacia.

Mr. GORDON. Would you care to guess how it gets from Pennwalt up to Indiana?

Mr. VOYLES. As far as getting from Pennwalt up to Indiana, it is manufactured in bulk in the United States, sent forward to Mexico City, encapsulated, sold ostensibly in the legitimate chain in Mexico.

I do not have that information. I do not know, but at that point it is diverted from the legitimate chain.

Mr. GORDON. Don't you think it is rather suspicious for so many tablets to be used in Mexico?

Mr. VOYLES. I would think so.

Senator NELSON. Thank you very much.

Mr. RODY. Yes, sir. Thank you.

Senator NELSON. Anybody on the panel have anything to add to the testimony?

Mr. RODY. No, sir, Mr. Chairman, that concludes our testimony.

Senator NELSON. Thank you very much.

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Rosthal, did you want to say something?

Mr. ROSTHAL. No, sir.