

Mr. Chairman, the Order to Show Cause in that case said in part, "the illicit importation of Bifetamina from Mexico and the subsequent illegal sale of Bifetamina in the United States substantially subverts the purpose of placing all amphetamines in Schedule II."

The history of Pennwalt and Ionamin has a similar beginning. In May, 1973, as earlier noted, Pennwalt requested a hearing on the proposed placement of its anorectic product, Ionamin, in Schedule III. Whether that hearing takes place will depend in large part on the results of DEA's comprehensive review of all the anorectics which will include the report of this subcommittee. Meanwhile, Ionamin remains in Schedule IV.

In 1975, Pennwalt exported to Mexico City 300 kilograms of the bulk powder from which Ionamin is manufactured. Thus far in 1976, another 300 kilograms of that same bulk powder has been exported to Mexico City. In Mexico City, at the same Pennwalt subsidiary where Bifetamina was once produced the bulk powder is encapsulated and sold under the Mexican trade name, Ionamina.

Mr. Chairman, a report on the most recent survey of illicit sales of Ionamin and Ionamina will