

be forwarded to the subcommittee. For the purposes of today's hearing, I will say that Ionamin is a relatively minor problem in most of the United States. However, in Texas we find heavy trafficking and abuse of Ionamina in all areas of the state adjacent to the Mexican border. Since July 1973 through April 1976, some 25 cases have been made involving Ionamina, with seizures and purchases totaling over 104,000 dosage units.