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- (b) To determine the network of illicit distribution of the product within the United States, and
- (c) To identify as many additional sources and locations where the product was being sold in the Republic of Mexico for illicit distribution in the United States.

The Task Force, which consisted of 11 agents assisted by 10 to 15 agents from Regions 5, 6, 8 and 11 on a full-time basis, became operational on November 8, 1971. The Task Force was divided so as to be able to operate in several geographical locations simultaneously. The initial areas selected for location of the Task Force were Birmingham, Alabama, Atlanta, Georgia, and El Paso, Texas, with the Task Force supervisor being located in Dallas, Texas. The Task Force was also mobile so that a concentration of manpower could be devoted to any area where the activity necessitated additional resources.

During the period of November 8, 1971, to January 15, 1972, (the termination date of the Task Force phase of the operation) a total of 302,417 dosage units of Bisotamina were documented as being purchased or seized. There were twenty-five cases initiated during this period which resulted in the seizure of \$100,141 (of which \$7,040 were recovered CFT) and over 135,000 dosage units of other dangerous drugs. Also 14 defendants were arrested. In addition, there are outstanding warrants for 10 defendants. A total breakdown of statistics within the operation are attached to this report.

Patterns of illicit distribution were traced to additional sources at El Paso, and Dallas, Texas, and Los Cruces, New Mexico. Also an additional two sources in the Republic of Mexico were identified.

Subsequent to the completion of the Task Force phase of the operation a meeting was held with the Deputy Attorney General Franco Rodriguez of the Republic of Mexico in which the operation was explained to him in detail. General Rodriguez pledged the full support of the Mexican Government in assisting FENDD in the elimination of this problem.

The Attorney General's Office has since announced that Laboratories Strasemburgh de Mexico will no longer be allowed to produce amphetamines.

On January 18, 1972, an order to show cause why the license to export amphetamines should not be revoked and the 1972 production quota fixed under Section 206 of the Controlled