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Substances Act should not be reduced by the amount previously allocated for export purposes was served on the Strassenburgh Prescription Products Division of the Pennwalt Corporation.

On January 25, 1972, the Pennwalt Corporation requested that their export license be amended to delete the exportation of amphetamines. The firm also requested that their 1972 production quota be reduced by the amount allocated for export purposes. BNDD accepted this request. This reduction will cause a reduction of 10% of the overall 1972 amphetamine production quota.

At the present time a Joint Strike Force consisting of BNDD agents from Regions 11 and 15 and Mexican Federal agents is being assembled. This Strike Force will concentrate its efforts on eliminating sources along the US/Mexico border which were identified as sources of illicit drugs during Operation Blackjack. The Strike Force will be utilizing informants developed during Operation Blackjack. The payment of informants as well as partial funding of operational costs will also be taken from funds allocated to the operation.

When this final phase of the operation is completed action will have been taken against the firms in Rochester, New York, and Mexico City, Mexico, as well as against illicit distribution in both the United States and Mexico. The results of these actions will eliminate a main source of dangerous drugs in the illicit traffic in the United States.

To date, a total of \$31,000 has been expended in the operation for PE/PL. Operational costs to date amount to \$20,000. The anticipated cost of the partial funding the Strike Force is \$7,500. The total of these three figures amount to \$28,500 which is approximately \$3,500 more than was seized during the operation.

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