

nation and one of them propoxyphene alone, so they are ranked among the first 200 most widely prescribed drugs. Is that correct?

Commissioner KENNEDY. That is correct.

Senator NELSON. And the first on your chart, Darvocet-N 50 and Darvocet-N 100, are combinations of propoxyphene and acetaminophen. Is that correct?

Commissioner KENNEDY. Darvocet-N occurs in a couple of combinations. That is one of the places in which your draft testimony has to be adjusted.

The first two entries for Darvocet-N were confusing because neither one alone—they should have been combined in establishing a ranking for napsylate compound and so if you would consult the chart on page 2 of the final version of our testimony I think that will clarify your question. That chart has three entries instead of four. It combines the entries for the Darvocet-N product and shows that together they ranked 12th and that rank is established primarily by the company product.

Senator NELSON. The Darvocet-N 50 and Darvocet-N 100 are simply combinations of propoxyphene and acetaminophen in different amounts, is that correct?

In other words, the Darvocet-N 100 must be a different combination of acetaminophen and propoxyphene than Darvocet-N 50, is that not so?

Commissioner KENNEDY. Well, it certainly is a different amount of Darvon, but let us just straighten this out, Mr. Chairman, because it is confusing working from two sets of testimony.

Senator NELSON. But just so the record is clear, you combine them in your chart, subsequent chart, as just Darvocet-N, and that, I take it, is simply a combination product in which the only two active ingredients are propoxyphene and acetaminophen.

Commissioner KENNEDY. It is different amounts of propoxyphene but it is a combination product.

Senator NELSON. Then your other one, Darvon compound-65 is propoxyphene with APC—aspirin, plenacetin, and caffeine?

Commissioner KENNEDY. Yes.

Senator NELSON. Just one more thing for clarification because I did not see it in your original written statement, but I think you did testify to it. Do you say that 80 percent of all Darvon, or all propoxyphene sold, is in combination with either codeine, acetaminophen, or aspirin?

Commissioner KENNEDY. Not codeine.

Senator NELSON. No codeine combination at all? Some of the double-blind tests include it.

Commissioner KENNEDY. I do not believe there is any codeine combination at all.

Senator NELSON. Some of the double-blind tests had them in combination, I think.

Commissioner KENNEDY. That is correct, for the purpose of conducting studies there may have been combinations given but I do not know of a marketed combination.

Senator NELSON. In the marketplace, 80 percent of the propoxyphene sold is in combination with either aspirin or acetaminophen?