

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY 16985

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD - 9 -

January 29, 1979

HEROIN(MORPHINE)

<u>1971</u>	-	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
100	→	250	→ 300	341	208	66	55

Here, the toxicologist believes that federal law enforcement and control over Mexican heroin has severely restricted availability, and this is the main reason for the case decrease, rather than the weaker strength of the current street heroin.

In frequency of occurrence DPX is fourth behind alcohol, diazepam and morphine, and is followed immediately by the barbiturates.

Other analgesics, codeine, acetaminophen and meperidine are of a very low frequency.