

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY

(Present Status of Competition in the Pharmaceutical Industry)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1970

U.S. SENATE,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON MONOPOLY OF THE
SELECT COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10:10 a.m., in room 1202, New Senate Office Building, the Honorable Gaylord Nelson (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Senator Nelson.

Also present: Benjamin Gordon, staff economist; Elaine C. Dye, clerical assistant; and Keith A. Jones, minority counsel.

Senator NELSON. Our first witness this morning is Dr. Jesse Steinfeld, Surgeon General, Public Health Service.

Dr. Steinfeld, we are pleased to have you here today. Please identify your associates for the record. If you or anyone else wishes to comment from time to time, please identify yourself so we get the record correct.

You may present your statement however you may desire. It will be printed in full in the record. If you wish to extemporize, feel free to do so.

STATEMENT OF DR. JESSE L. STEINFELD, SURGEON GENERAL, PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE; ACCOMPANIED BY ALLEN J. BRANDS, PHARMACY LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE, PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE; AND WINTON B. RANKIN, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR HEALTH AND SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS

Dr. STEINFELD. Thank you, Senator. With me on my left is Mr. Winton Rankin, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Health and Scientific Affairs, and on my right is Mr. Allen Brands, Chief Pharmacist Officer of the Public Health Service.

I would like to read the statement and perhaps make several comments on it.

I am pleased to appear before the Monopoly Subcommittee of the