RECOMMENDATION TO THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

We recommend that the Secretary of HEW propose legislative changes to the FD&C Act and the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to provide FDA with authority to examine records and data related to the production and distribution of products under FDA's responsibility.

HEW advised us that it was giving serious consideration to the inclusion of our proposal in its legislative program for the Ninety-third Congress. (See app. I.)

RECOMMENDATION TO THE CONGRESS

To improve FDA's ability to protect the consumer from all products suspected or known to be violative over which FDA has responsibility, we recommend that the Congress consider amending the FD&C Act and the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to provide FDA with needed access-to-records authority.