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Vision Center, Inc., 101 W. 48 St., New York, N.Y.

White Cross Opticians, 1301 Oneida St., Utica, N. Y.

Dr. William Weissman, 1347 Broadway, New York, N.Y.

Warbasse Consumers Cooperative Society, Inc., 499 Neptune Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Zimmet's Opticians, 805 8th Ave., New York, N.Y.

Dr. Louis Zucker & Sons, 373 Jay St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

M. Ginsberg Opticians, 41 Commerce S., Newark, N.J.

Mr. SISK. Does your union operate only in New York or do you operate nation-wide?

Mr. WEINMANN. It is primarily in metropolitan New York but we go well beyond it. We have shops in Rochester and we have shops in the District of Columbia. I think the American Optical has a contract with Local 408 right here in the District of Columbia.

Mr. SISK. Do you have a contract with Sterling?

Mr. WEINMANN. We have a contract with Sterling in New York. Sterling has a number of shops in New York, all of which are under contract with us and employ optometrists.

Mr. SISK. Is your union an international?

Mr. WEINMANN. It is part of the International Union of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO.

The gentleman I introduced earlier, Mr. McKinnell, is the Administrative Assistant to the International Union of Electrical Workers.

Mr. SISK. Do you happen to have a contract with King Optical Company?

Mr. WEINMANN. No, we do not, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. SISK. You definitely do not have a contract with King Optical?

Mr. WEINMANN. Not as far as we know.

Mr. SISK. Have you ever had a contract with King?

Mr. WEINMANN. I understand it is quite possible some years ago we did have a contract with King.

Mr. SISK. Are you familiar with any of the operations of King Optical?

Mr. WEINMANN. I personally am not.

Mr. SISK. You have no knowledge of some of their experiences in Michigan and some of the other states?

Mr. WEINMANN. No, I personally do not. Our business manager, Mr. Ribaldo, who could not possibly be here today, is the representative who goes across country and is familiar with operations throughout the country. He is not available, however.

Mr. SISK. Are you familiar with the United Optical Workers Union 878 in St. Louis, Mr. Weinmann?

Mr. WEINMANN. It is a sister local in the same International Union, the IUE.

Mr. SISK. Is it your understanding that all the United Optical Workers unions are unanimously opposed to this bill?

Mr. WEINMANN. Mr. Congressman, there are six or more local unions, optical unions in the IUE, all of which today are strongly opposed. In addition to that, as I stated earlier, I am here on behalf of the National Optical Workers Conference and that National Optical Workers Conference consists of six International Unions. That is international unions in addition to the IUE. The Retail, Wholesale and Department Store union, the Flat Glass Workers union,