

Thank you very much.

Mr. SULLIVAN. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. MULTER. Our next witness is Deputy Chief Wilson.

STATEMENT OF JERRY V. WILSON, DEPUTY CHIEF, METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, ACCOMPANIED BY THOMAS E. MOYER, ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSEL

Deputy Chief WILSON. Mr. Moyer is of course representing the Commissioners, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. MOYER. Mr. Chairman, I would like to present the Commissioners' view and Deputy Wilson will be available.

Mr. MULTER. Identify yourself for the record.

Mr. MOYER. Mr. Chairman, my name is Thomas F. Moyer. I am Assistant Corporation Counsel and I am here to present the view of the District of Columbia Government on this bill.

Mr. MULTER. And the gentleman with you is?

Deputy Chief WILSON. Deputy Chief Jerry V. Wilson, Director of Planning and Development for the Metropolitan Police Department, representing Chief Layton.

Mr. MULTER. We have placed in the record at our opening, the letter from Mayor Washington, dated November 8, 1967, addressed to Chairman McMillan. You may add anything you please, sir.

Mr. MOYER. I would like to quote briefly from the letter in order to bring out the view of the District Government on this bill.

Commissioner Washington states:

I believe H.R. 13203 to be unnecessary and without apparent justification since from a sound administration standpoint, there is no basis through the legislative process to automatically promote to the rank of detective sergeant all of the detectives in the Metropolitan Police Force, 138 in number.

The President's Commission on Crime has endorsed the recommendation of the International Association of Chiefs of Police that the supervisor ranks in the Criminal Investigations Division should be reduced rather than increased, as would result from the enactment of H.R. 13203. In order that the objective expressed in the report of the Association may be accomplished in an orderly manner, the Chief of Police has adopted the following policy—

And then the next page sets out the policy which the Chief has adopted as was discussed by the detectives here, taking detective sergeant examinations over a period of time.

Then the Commissioner finishes with:

The passage of this proposed legislation would further compound the present imbalance of superior-subordinate ratio in the Criminal Investigation Division. I therefore strongly recommend against enactment of H.R. 13203.

Then the Commissioner states he has been advised by the Bureau of the Budget that from the standpoint of the Administration program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Basically, that is the District Government's position on the bill.

Mr. MULTER. As long as it expresses the District Government's position, that is the desire of the Chief of the Police Department, is it not?

Deputy Chief WILSON. That is correct. If you like, I can explain some the background of this.

As was noted earlier, the bill is essentially an outgrowth of findings and recommendations of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The ICP in their findings and recommendations regarding the