

dom of the society, instead of this present process of decisions being made behind closed doors down in the White House. With the decisions then imposed ultra vires. I think this Executive order is illegal, unconstitutional, and certainly violates the very point that you have made of bypassing the Congress.

My final observation is, that if the leaders of this Congress, the chairmen of the committees, who are good citizens but are in the same party as the President, aren't going to blow the whistle on an Executive that has just ridden roughshod over the Congress, then indeed, this becomes in my judgment the major issue in this 1968 campaign, because it is the only place it can be resolved.

Thank you.

Mr. HERLONG. Mrs. Griffiths.

Mrs. GRIFFITHS. Thank you. First let me say that I am in some agreement and I was very interested in the facts that you presented. However, I don't really know whom you represent. Who is the Machinery & Allied Products Institute? What is it?

Mr. STEWART. We are a trade group, Mrs. Griffiths, originally organized as a federation of associations growing out of the NRA codes when the NRA was collapsed. Our constituency is capital goods and allied products as distinguished from consumer goods. To give you a notion of the dimensions of these industries, on the first page of our statement we referred to the fact that capital goods exports in 1966 reached a level of \$8.83 billion.

I might add that the investment abroad in machinery affiliates of U.S. companies is on the order, as of 1964, of \$3.4 billion. So this is a very large complex of American industry engaged in the production of what are called producers' goods, as you know.

Mrs. GRIFFITHS. Is it supported by dues?

Mr. STEWART. It is supported as a normal trade group is supported; correct.

Mrs. GRIFFITHS. Do you have a good-size research staff?

Mr. STEWART. We do. The institute has always been interested in business and economic research, whether it affects Government relations or not, as distinguished from the normal trade association activities of those organizations which concentrate on standards, the collection of routine statistics, and that sort of thing.

Mrs. GRIFFITHS. Thank you. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. HERLONG. Any questions? If there are no further questions we thank you very much, Mr. Stewart, for your presentation to the committee.

Mr. STEWART. It has been a privilege to be before the committee. Thank you.

Mr. HERLONG. The next witness is Mr. John W. Hight.

Mr. Hight, if you will identify yourself for the purpose of the record and proceed, we will be glad to hear you.

STATEMENT OF JOHN W. HIGHT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COMMITTEE FOR A NATIONAL TRADE POLICY, INC.

Mr. HIGHT. Yes, sir. Mr. Chairman. I am John W. Hight, executive director of the Committee for a National Policy, Inc.