

norm for the United States; rather, I feel my responsibility is to all parents of this country and to their children. We are concerned with a national problem of drug abuse and this is what we are trying to get at.

Mr. KUYKENDALL. If the gentleman would yield for one more quick question.

Do you feel no responsibility for this misunderstanding?

Dr. GODDARD. Well, I obviously have to feel responsibility, yes, because I was at the press conference. In communications, if I don't make myself clear, then I have been partly responsible.

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Thank you, Dr. Goddard.

The CHAIRMAN. Any further questions. Mr. Harvey?

Mr. HARVEY. No. I just would like to comment, Mr. Chairman, that I think Dr. Goddard, that what disappointed some of us on the committee is that we feel a part of your role as Commissioner is that of public education. Certainly it suggests more than just analyzing these drugs and being able to tell this committee the harmful effects. I think we would have all felt much easier if you had stressed in Minneapolis the "grim situation," which you have now told us that confronts law enforcement officers today.

This is what this committee is worried about and this is what I am particularly worried about, and we appreciate your explanation again.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Kornegay.

Mr. KORNEGAY. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

Dr. Goddard, I, too, join my colleagues in saying we are glad you are here today.

I have a copy of the Washington Post article dated October 18, I believe, which described the conference in Minneapolis. The first statement of significance is the one you have already answered and that is related to your daughter, and I am not going back into that or about her smoking marihuana or drinking cocktails.

The next one is:

Dr. Goddard said the long-term effect of smoking marihuana may be more serious than the effect presently known.

Did you say that, sir?

Dr. GODDARD. Yes.

Mr. KORNEGAY. Then you were quoted as saying that:

Society should be able to accept both alcohol and marihuana.

Did you say that, sir?

Dr. GODDARD. Yes; but in the context of both of these are real problems that we have to accept them as problems and begin to work on them.

Mr. KORNEGAY. You didn't say accept the problem; you said accept the alcohol and accept the marihuana.

Dr. GODDARD. Sir, I must tell you that this press conference was a confusing one in every aspect. A fuse blew at the start.

Mr. KORNEGAY. It started informally and then they figured they were working into a pretty big deal so they moved inside; is that right?

Dr. GODDARD. What happened, Mr. Kornegay, was the university had a young woman on their staff from the press office and after the speech