

PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE CONTROL OF MARIHUANA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1967

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to notice, at 10:05 a.m., in room 2203, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. J. Edward Roush, presiding.

Present: Representatives J. Edward Roush, Florence P. Dwyer, and Robert Dole.

Professional staff present: James R. Naughton, W. Donald Gray, and Delphis C. Goldberg, Intergovernmental Relations Subcommittee; and William H. Copenhaver, minority staff, Committee on Government Operations.

Mr. ROUSH. The committee will be in order. Let the record show that a quorum is present. I am J. Edward Roush, member of the subcommittee. The Chairman, Mr. Fountain, is unable to be here because of his official duties as delegate to the United Nations; so I will be presiding this morning.

I call your attention also to the fact that the House goes into session at 11.

This morning the subcommittee will continue its hearings on problems relating to the control of marihuana. Yesterday we heard the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Dr. James L. Goddard.

Our witness this morning is Mr. Henry L. Giordano, the Commissioner of Narcotics, whose Bureau is responsible for enforcing the laws relating to marihuana.

Mr. Giordano, we are happy to have you with us this morning, and will you please introduce your associate. You may then proceed with your statement unless Mrs. Dwyer has a statement to make.

Mr. GIORDANO. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My name is Henry L. Giordano, Commissioner of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, and on my right is Mr. Donald E. Miller, the Chief Counsel of the Bureau of Narcotics. I have a prepared statement, Mr. Chairman, I would like to give at this time.

Mr. ROUSH. You may proceed.