

**REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 1 OF 1968
(DRUG ABUSE AND NARCOTICS)
AND HOUSE RESOLUTION 1101**

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1968

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE
REORGANIZATION SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
Washington, D.C.

The Subcommittee met at 10 a.m., in room 2154, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. John A. Blatnik (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Representatives John A. Blatnik, Chet Holifield, Henry S. Reuss, Benjamin S. Rosenthal, John N. Erlenborn, and Jack Edwards.

Also present: Elmer W. Henderson, subcommittee counsel; James A. Lanigan, general counsel, Committee on Government Operations; and William H. Copenhaver, minority professional staff.

Chairman BLATNIK. The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization of the Committee on Government Operations will please come to order.

We will continue today public hearings on the Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1968.

We go to the testimony of the Honorable James P. Hendrick, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Treasury, for Enforcement. With him we have Mr. Henry L. Giordano. We will continue the interrogation of the witnesses this morning.

Mr. Secretary, will you please take the witness stand.

STATEMENT OF JAMES POMEROY HENDRICK, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY (FOR ENFORCEMENT), ACCOMPANIED BY HENRY L. GIORDANO, COMMISSIONER OF NARCOTICS; AND JOHN FINLATOR, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF DRUG ABUSE CONTROL, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

Chairman BLATNIK. Mr. Edwards, will you start off this morning?

Mr. Giordano, may I ask this question? Mr. Hughes, the Deputy Director of the Bureau of the Budget, made a statement on the marijuana seized at the border of the United States. He said for 1963 it was 6,440 pounds seized at the border within the United States. The figure rose almost fourfold to 23,000 in 1966. I have an article from Look magazine of March 5, 1968, the leadoff article, "The Horror of