

Mr. MARSH. The tariff has already been cut, Mr. Ullman. It was cut in the Kennedy round by about 51 percent.

Mr. ULLMAN. And has this affected imports?

Mr. MARSH. The cut just went into effect January 1 and it was, of course, very small this year. It is to be cut in five equal installments so I don't think we could determine yet, although lamb imports for the first quarter of this year did increase substantially compared to the same quarter a year ago.

Mr. ULLMAN. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. Any further questions? If not, Mr. Marsh, again we thank you.

Mr. MARSH. Thank you, Mr. Mills.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Adams. As I recall, Mr. Adams, you have been before the committee in the past but for purposes of this record will you again identify yourself?

#### STATEMENT OF JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, CHAIRMAN, COORDINATING COMMITTEE, FOOD INDUSTRIES OF NEW YORK, INC.

Mr. ADAMS. Certainly, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, distinguished members of the Committee on Ways and Means, ladies and gentlemen, my name is John Q. Adams. I am president of the Manhattan Refrigerating Co. of New York City and also president of Union Terminal Cold Storage Co., Inc., Jersey City, N.J. I have been in the cold storage business almost 50 years and appear today as chairman of the Coordinating Committee of the Food Industries of New York, Inc. I also appear for the Cold Storage Warehouse Association of the Port of New York, Inc. We wish to register opposition to quotas on certain food products, particularly imported meats.

The coordinating committee is a broad-based group. Most of its over 50 members are themselves large trade associations connected in one way or another with the preparation or distribution of food in the New York area. Our group encompasses just about every facet of the food industry in the largest of all of our metropolitan areas in the country. Typical of our members are frozen food associations, spice associations, fish and seafood associations, merchants associations, butter, egg, and cheese associations, warehousemen's associations, dairy association, food and vegetable associations, as well as meat and poultry purveyors to hotels, restaurants, and institutions.

Incidentally, there was some mention made about the American labor movement. Our coordinating committee represents over a million union members. The total number of family members of those unions is about 9 million people in the New York City area. The total food industry complex in the New York City area represents a capital investment of approximately \$5 billion, with the number of employees exceeding 100,000. This entire establishment would suffer from import quotas on meat.

By virtue of my familiarity with the problems that confront all of these types of businesses, I think I can at least attempt to see the food industry in perspective as a whole.

As I have stated, my appearance here today is to register our opposition to any of the many bills now pending before the House of Representatives which would restrict the importation of meat