INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION ACT OF 1967 AND RELATED LEGISLATION

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1968

U.S. SENATE,

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

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10:25 a.m., in room 457, Old Senate Office Building, Senator Edmund S. Muskie (Chairman), presiding.

Present: Senator Muskie.

Staff members present: Charles M. Smith, Staff director; Robert E. Berry, minority counsel; E. Winslow Turner, general counsel; Lucinda T. Dennis, admin-

istrative secretary.

Senator Muskie. The committee will be in order. I am afraid this is going to be one of those bad days. We are going to have gun control legislation on the floor. Since the votes will come quite fast, we will not waste any time.

Mr. Rafsky, you have really been put upon. Mr. Rafsky. We do not mind.

STATEMENT OF WILLIAM L. RAFSKY, PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT OFFICIALS; ACCOMPANIED BY JOHN D. LANGE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND MARY K. NENNO, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR PROGRAM POLICY AND RESEARCH

Mr. Rafsky. Senator, my name is William L. Rafsky, and I am president of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials and in my private capacity, executive vice president of the old Philadelphia Development Corp. I have with me my associates in NAHRO; on my left Mr. John Lange, executive director, and on my right, Miss Mary Nenno of our staff.

We certainly appreciate this opportunity. We understand your situation very well and do not feel imposed upon at all. We are very pleased to have a chance to summarize in view of your time schedule our statement which you permitted us to enter on the record on

Tuesday.

If I may, I would like to say a word about myself and my experience in terms of my qualifications as a witness. Prior to my present position I served for 11 years as the housing and development coordinator