Total of Housing units for middle and upper income families if "City Within A City" is not constructed.	707 units plus what private construction not now known is built.
Total Housing For Immediate Future	Between 1,228 units and 5,228 units.

Senator MUSKIE. In addition, there will be included in the record a letter dated July 18, 1967, to Secretary Weaver and Secretary Boyd, further documenting the situation in Camden.

(The document referred to follows:)

CAMDEN, N.J., *July 18, 1967.*

Mr. ROBERT WEAVER,
Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. WEAVER: In mid-February of this year the Camden Civil Rights-Ministerium-Neighborhood Groups Coalition wrote to President Johnson.

That letter (a copy of which is included) raised several crucial points relating to Camden's Workable Program required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development *and* problems created by federally assisted highway construction. The problems presented were: (1) failure of the Camden City Government to permit and provide an opportunity for grass roots participation on the Citizens Advisory Committee; (2) no statistical breakdown in the Workable Program by races of individuals and families displaced by governmental action; (3) a severe shortage of decent low income housing in Camden to shelter the low-income families who comprise a majority of the residents being forced to relocate due to urban renewal, highway construction, and code enforcement; (4) the failure of the New Jersey State Highway Department to provide meaningful relocation assistance for persons displaced by highway construction; and (5) the need for federal legislation and/or executive action to impose relocation standards for highway construction programs financed in whole or in part with federal funds similar to those enforced in urban renewal programs.

In April, representatives of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Camden City Government, and the Coalition met in Camden. In his report of May 17, 1967, to Senator Case, Assistant Secretary Hummel stated that: " a more effective Citizens Advisory Committee is needed and in response to our request the Mayor has reactivated the Camden Neighborhood Conservation and Rehabilitation Committee and has expanded its membership to include civil rights groups, civic associations, and neighborhood groups." Unfortunately, the Mayor's appointments to this committee have generally failed to give recognition to the leading members of the coalition who have been spearheading the struggle to help the deprived and the discriminated against. As of today the Mayor of Camden has failed to respond positively to the continuing requests of two neighborhood groups for grass roots participation on the Citizens Advisory Committee. To the contrary, the Mayor and the Business Administrator have said "No" to such requests at meetings with them. One group, the Neighbors for Community Action, has been instrumental in forcing the city to increase recreational facilities in their neighborhood and to take action against property owners who have "abandoned" their property. They are involved in community projects such as outings to Atlantic City. Next month they are taking over 300 youngsters to see a Philadelphia Phillies ballgame. The second group, the Camden Citizens For Action, is a community group in the adjoining neighborhood to that of the Neighbors for Community Action. It has been instrumental in forcing the city to take action against derelict landlords and in the formation of the Landlord-Tenant Association, a body which seeks to bring landlords and tenants to the same table to work together. This Association has received the editorial support of Camden's main newspaper, the Courier-Post, and the Association is beginning to have meaningful results in obtaining real cooperation to the benefit of tenants and landlords.

These two neighborhood groups are examples of real efforts by low-income people, who are also members of minority groups, to try to help themselves. These people are playing a significant role in their community and would deserve representation on the Citizens Advisory Committee even if the Workable Program did not require representation for such groups.