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The hearing was convened at 3:00 p.m., Mr. David Rowlands, presiding.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

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2 MR. ROWLANDS: Since it is now three o'clock,
3 we thought we would get this meeting underway.

4 It is my understanding the Vice President will
5 be here around 3:30 so we will continue other discussions
6 with representatives of HUD.

7 We are very happy these men are taking time out
8 of a busy schedule to be with us and participate in com-
9 ments on the programs -- perhaps get some suggestions
10 from the managers here.

11 We appreciate that you responded so nobly --
12 a very fine representation -- about thirty or forty.

13 I thought it might be well for me to introduce
14 Dwight Ink, Assistant Secretary Administrator in HUD.

15 Dwight, we had a fine relationship with Dwight
16 and his staff.

17 Harold Horn in our Washington office has de-
18 veloped excellent rapport and we appreciate the many
19 courtesies extended our organization.

20 It is a pleasure to introduce Mr. Ink and you
21 might introduce the other participants at this time.

22 MR. INK: It is good to see you gentlemen again.

23 Some of you I worked with quite a while ago and
24 I hope at the end of the meeting I can say "Hello" to the
25 rest of you.

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1 I might say that we have been exceedingly pleased
2 with the fact that ICMA has an office here in Washington
3 now and Harold has been extremely helpful from our stand-
4 point. He has been very useful.

5 We are getting thinking from the city managers.
6 We are able to take some soundings and I think hopefully
7 able to take into our view the thinking of you people
8 far better than we otherwise could.

9 Harold, thanks very much. It is a pleasure
10 to work with you.

11 We have here today from HUD of course really an
12 old friend of yours, Mark Keen and I don't really need to
13 introduce Mark Keen.

14 In a minute I will ask him if he has one or
15 two comments about some of the programs, where they stand,
16 that he is particularly associated with.

17 We have here Norm Beckman who I think has been
18 with you through at least some of the session today and
19 Norm has been developing our framework for inter-govern-
20 mental relations which is I think looking ahead toward
21 the work we have -- the responsibility the Department
22 has under the statute, the Departmental Act, -- the re-
23 sponsibility it has under the President's order for taking
24 the initiative and drawing people together at the federal
25 level to deal with urban problems -- respond to urban

1 needs.

2 Today Norm has probably the most interesting job
3 in Washington from the standpoint of trying to formulate --
4 trying to give form and substance to what the President
5 refers to as "creative federalism."

6 If time permits we would like to hear from Norm
7 a minute too.

8 Glen, I think you were introduced at an earlier
9 session.

10 MR. STAHL: No. I happen to know a few of the
11 gentlemen.

12 MR. INK: While we can't claim the distinction of
13 having him in the department as well, he certainly has been
14 working closely with us as he has with you and with the other
15 federal departments and has taken a very keen interest and
16 done a great deal of work with respect to cooperation,
17 intergovernmental cooperation, in the personnel area.

18 Finally, we have here Mr. Eisman -- raise your
19 hand, Nat.

20 If you have some questions coming up in the
21 budget area or at the end of the session and would like to
22 inquire a little bit about where the budget stands, Mr.
23 Eisman can give you all the answers because he is Deputy
24 Director of the Budget.

25 We have this year in our program of particular

1 significance, I think, is the funding for model cities.
2 This is going to be a crucial issue insofar as our urban
3 programs are concerned and we think the funding of this
4 program will be keyed really with respect to whether we
5 begin to move forward on a concerted basis and begin to tie
6 together the various program aids or whether we continue
7 on a relatively fragmented basis.

8 We also have, I think -- Dave, this is worth
9 highlighting, I think of particular interest to this
10 group -- you probably are aware of it -- what is for this
11 area a very substantial increase in the research and
12 development area, fund-wise, this year.

13 As you well know, unlike the fields of agriculture,
14 space, defense, atomic energy, what have you, there have
15 not been substantial sums of money directed specifically
16 toward research and development that is geared to meet the
17 specific urban problems. Some of the funds that have gone
18 to HEW and other agencies have been, of course, very
19 beneficial to urban problems, but there has been no program
20 of any significance truly directed toward the urban scene.

21 This \$20 million that we have in the budget this
22 year is an effort to, for the first time, really begin to
23 mount a program directed toward what can be done, working
24 primarily through industry and universities and cooperation
25 of cities toward cheaper housing, how you build cheaper

1 housing. Toward how you build better utility lines.
2 Urban mass transportation. So although \$20 million is
3 small compared to the research and development that goes on
4 in some other areas, we think it is extremely important in
5 terms of getting off the ground in the urban field.

6 We expect to have with us in a few minutes
7 Secretary Taylor who, as you know, has responsibility for
8 launching the model city program and we hope that he
9 arrives in time. He can fill you in precisely where we stand.
10 If he doesn't, we can give you a general picture of it any-
11 way.

12 Dave, I wonder if now, before he arrives, if it
13 wouldn't be helpful to look to Mark and --

14 Well, come on in, Ralph. Ralph, while you are
15 walking up here, we will ask Mark to highlight very briefly
16 some of the things which are most significant in the
17 metropolitan development field that Mark has as his
18 responsibility.

19 MR. KEENE: Thank you, Dwight.

20 It is always a pleasure for me to be with city
21 managers, particularly now since it is sometime since I had
22 very much contact with them. I would want them to know,
23 Dwight, that from my viewpoint, and I see you pretty closely,
24 Mr. Ink is one of the closest friends that the city manager
25 profession has. He has a sincere respect for your ability.

1 He sincerely wants to know your viewpoints. He never
2 misses an opportunity to, such as on this occasion, get
3 together with the city manager. It is a great pleasure for
4 me to be able to work with a guy like Dwight.

5 The same is true of Under Secretary Wood, in
6 particular, whom a good number of you know, and is
7 certainly one of the government's greatest assets. It is
8 a pleasure to be able to serve with him.

9 The Assistant Secretary I serve with is Mr. Har,
10 former law professor from Harvard, who was certainly one of
11 the country's leading authorities on the law of zoning and
12 land use. He is in charge of metropolitan area planning,
13 the urban transportation program, and the public facilities
14 and land grant programs.

15 The one I have is the latter one with one of the
16 longest titles in Washington known as Director of Land
17 Facilities Development and Administration. This is one of
18 the two administrations under Assistant Secretary Har, the
19 other being Urban Transportation.

20 The basis of our metropolitan development
21 operation is comprehensive metropolitan planning. This is
22 the quid pro quo. This is what the national interest is.
23 This is what we expect a region to show progress in before
24 we are, under the statute, able to give a grant or a loan
25 relative to metropolitan facilities.

1 Now our particular program that is sometimes
2 referred to by you fellows as "boodle" is the water and
3 sewer grants which is extremely a very popular and attractive
4 item among you and mayors all over the country.

5 We also have the open space program which also is
6 doing a tremendous amount of good throughout the nation.
7 Wes McClure, in the back particularly, has a great interest
8 in this program and we have been able to be of some
9 assistance to him and his community already, but instead
10 of being eternally grateful and taking his chips and going
11 home he keeps coming back for more.

12 (Laughter.)

13 And with considerable success.

14 It is a pleasure to be able to say yes once in a
15 while to a city that has a city manager friend of mine
16 but of course we are completely objective about this program.

17 We have a very effective analysis system for
18 determining those projects which are most worthy of a
19 federal investment. This, as you can guess, is rather d
20 difficult to do since you have turned in about 25 applications
21 for a water and sewer grant for each one to which we can say
22 yes. On open space we are running at the rate of about
23 five or six to one.

24 With Assistant Secretary Taylor here now, I think
25 I will cut my remarks brief at that point and make myself

1 available to you if time permits or at the end of the
2 meeting to answer any questions you might like to pose about
3 mass transit, water and sewer, open space, metropolitan
4 area planning, public facility loans, advances for public
5 works planning and particularly Title II of the model city
6 bill on which I want to spend some time lobbying with you
7 after this meeting breaks up.

8 Again it is a great pleasure to be with you and
9 I hope to see a lot more of you.

10 MR. INK: Thank you, Mark.

11 Dave, I suggest we turn to Secretary Taylor who,
12 in my book, has the toughest, most challenging and most
13 interesting and most fascinating job in Washington. I
14 think that the model city program is, as you all know,
15 really a landmark in terms of domestic legislation in this
16 country, as well as any other country. Ralph has the
17 job of launching it, moving it ahead successfully and the
18 timetable is short. He has to bring along not only the
19 rest of us in the department, and that is not always easy,
20 but most of the other federal departments in Washington as
21 well as working closely with state and local people. So
22 Ralph, I am glad you were able to pull yourself away from
23 the Secretary and tell us how you will do this little task.

24 MR. TAYLOR: Thank you.

25 I feel somewhat like the pretty gal who thinks she

1 is marooned on the desert island and finds a division of
2 Marines there. She hasn't said no to anybody and she hasn't
3 said yes yet and they are all really beginning to flock
4 around.

5 Very seriously, we have got a program that is
6 a challenge to us and a challenge to you at the local level.
7 It differs from other programs that have been on the books
8 in several very important ways.

9 First of all, it is not a program program at this
10 point in its development. We are not interested in getting
11 it out to the maximum number of cities as quickly as we can.
12 It is a demonstration program. We have money for a limited
13 number of communities. We are interested in having this
14 money go to communities of all sizes in all parts of the
15 country provided they have one thing in common: The
16 capacity and the commitment to face up to their problems
17 and try to meet them. If they have that, then we are
18 interested in doing business with you. If you don't have that
19 at this point of time, we suggest to you that you take the
20 time to develop it. I know nobody will say, "We don't have
21 it." So I am not asking for a show of hands as to who has
22 it or doesn't have it.

23 The key fact about this program is that it is not
24 the program that is going to solve all urban problems. It
25 is not the program that will inundate, lubricate the

1 solution of problems in a flood of money. It is a program
2 that will test whether we, at the federal level, have the
3 management capability and you, at the local level, have the
4 innovative management and determination capability to fit
5 programs together so that they make a program that is as
6 broad and wide and deep as the problem of a badly deteriorated
7 neighborhood in your community. This is a tremendous
8 challenge to you because nobody at the federal level can
9 fit those programs together in a way that will meet your
10 needs. You have to fit them together. You have to
11 diagnose your situation. You have to work from that
12 diagnosis to the objectives to the identification of the
13 specific programs to the development of the gap fillers,
14 the innovative kind of things not now financed by any program
15 that you can use your supplemental funds for under the
16 formula of this legislation.

17 We expect and hope that out of the understanding
18 of the problem and the availability of the funds will come
19 solutions to these problems that will teach us a lot more
20 about the way programs can be fitted together and must be
21 fitted together at the local level to meet the problem --
22 teach us a lot that we can use in that happy day when the
23 steady growth of resources available for the urban area will
24 make it possible to hit these problems with more resources
25 than we now do.

1 In saying that I am not going to apologize for
2 the level of resources that are available now. If you take
3 a look at the kind of money that has been going into the
4 urban area there has been a steady progression. This
5 program gives us an opportunity to show we can handle the
6 money, that we can work out the new directions and if we
7 can show that, then I am convinced the Administration and
8 the the Congress will make much more money available to the
9 urban area to meet the problem.

10 Now that is the general philosophy of the program.
11 Let me start talking specifics.

12 This program is now in the application stage.
13 We are going to have -- my guess is 300 to 350 applications
14 given us in the next two months. We will have received
15 before the end of today four applications here in Washington.
16 Ceremonial, complete with Congressmen.

17 (Laughter.)

18 This is the basic reason why I was late.
19 Congressmen and pictures taken of the delivery of the appli-
20 cation. Because there is a sense locally that what we are
21 proposing in this process makes good common sense to the
22 community. There is a feeling that just the pulling
23 together of the pieces that has been involved in preparing
24 for an application has been good for a community. It has
25 been healthy. There have been elements in this community

1 talking together that haven't been talking together before
2 and we require that the community look at every level of
3 government which has the power to deliver the services and
4 the facilities that are needed so that if you have a county
5 welfare authority or an independent school board or you have
6 welfare and education and other programs that are funneled
7 through state plan mechanisms at the state level, you have
8 to sit down with the county people and the state people and
9 they all have to be brought in.

10 Now that is a challenge to you. This creates a
11 challenge and an opportunity for us. This has been a
12 problem in the management of the proliferation of grant
13 programs, that this problem should develop really shouldn't
14 have been unexpected.

15 There has been such an expansion of grant programs
16 in such a short period of time that the development of the
17 administrative mechanisms and the administrative capability
18 to make full use of them inevitably has fallen a bit behind.
19 We have responsibility for trying to close that gap and it
20 means that we are trying to develop at the federal level
21 a federal approach to helping you work out the plan, the
22 answers to the plans that you have developed. This is a
23 tremendous challenge. We are doing it by involving other
24 agencies and departments with concerns in the urban area in
25 the preparation of the program guide, in the review process.

1 They will be working with us arm and arm in the planning
2 process with those communities that are selected. We think
3 that out of it is going to come some new patterns of the way
4 applications are processed and the way grants are tied so
5 that we can ultimately meet one of your real needs which is
6 if you are counting on a federal grant to fit into a certain
7 time period or a certain phase of your program, of your effort
8 to meet your problem, you ought to be able to rely on it
9 and it wouldn't be luck or chance for it to come through for
10 you. If we can develop that kind of capability at the
11 federal level we will be responsive to your analysis of the
12 problem at the local level and the relationship between us,
13 not only between the cities and the federal government, but
14 between the cities, counties and states and the federal
15 government is going to be a relationship which will be a
16 lot smoother, lot easier and a lot more satisfactory at the
17 place where it has to be satisfactory. The point of
18 delivery of services to the consumer. That is at your
19 level.

20 Thanks.

21 MR. INK: Ralph, I think it would be good to
22 open for questions now.

23 MR. TAYLOR: Let's keep talking until the Vice
24 President comes, sure.

25 MR. INK: After the Vice President is here, if

1 there is time, we would like to hear briefly from Norm
2 in the intergovernmental area.

3 QUESTION: How many model city grants are you going
4 to --

5 MR. TAYLOR: I try to avoid the numbers game.
6 The legislative history talks of about 70. The real answer
7 as to whether it will be more than that will depend on the
8 application of communities that come in and show they have
9 the capability. We could fund three or four smaller
10 communities for one large one. We reached the 70 figure on
11 the assumption that we would get a certain pattern. Right
12 now we seem to be having more smaller communities than
13 we anticipated coming in.

14 I am defining smaller as under 50,000.

15 If that holds we may go above 70 but won't be
16 able to tell yet.

17 QUESTION: I am George Eblin from Shelbyville,
18 Tennessee.

19 MR. TAYLOR: Will see you at 5 o'clock.

20 QUESTION: Yes, sir.

21 The problem that arises with us and many of the
22 smaller communities is the lack of facilities that we have
23 to develop a real first class program.

24 Now we don't have any city planners on our payroll.
25 WE don't have any great engineering and architectural skill

1 available. What you will get from us is a purely man's
2 viewpoint on what we need. Is this about what you have in
3 mind?

4 MR. TAYLOR: We try to develop a process that
5 would give the community and the situation you are describing
6 as good a crack at it as the next community.

7 What we are asking for is three things: We are
8 asking first for your understanding of the problem, the
9 diagnosis of the problem. We have gone around the country
10 saying "Don't use consultants for this because it can't be
11 packaged."

12 We haven't put out models because if we put out
13 a model we are afraid that somebody would take a cookie
14 cutter and we would get it back with a lot of different names
15 attached to it.

16 So step one, the diagnosis doesn't require
17 outside skills. The setting of your goals don't.

18 The third thing, the administrative organization,
19 what we are interested in there is that the various elements
20 in your community whose participation is central to the
21 ability to accomplish this, they have been part of the
22 diagnosis and the goal setting. I am answering your
23 question by saying we have set up a process where you don't
24 really need a city planner. You don't need that kind of
25 skill. You have to have the commitment and the desire and

1 willingness to face the facts honestly. That is what we
2 look for.

3 QUESTION: Are you given certain allocations of
4 the smaller cities in numbers? As you say, you could fund
5 a lot of us for one New York City.

6 MR. TAYLOR: We are going to -- without answering
7 that question head on -- what we are going to do is make
8 sure there are cities of all sizes in all parts of the
9 country.

10 QUESTION: You will give us our day in court.

11 MR. TAYLOR: You will have your day in court.

12 QUESTION: Thank you.

13 MR. TAYLOR: Definitely.

14 QUESTION: Secretary Taylor, I thought you might
15 be interested in knowing what we have done since I had this
16 letter from you last August.

17 I am J. Allen, City Manager, Fayetteville, West
18 Virginia.

19 I tried to get your office to chase you down.

20 MR. TAYLOR: I saw your message. I haven't
21 been in the office much today.

22 QUESTION: We are a small community as you
23 probably know. What I would like to know, I will tell you
24 what we did so far on our own.

25 My purpose in making these statements is just

1 where do we go from there?

2 Will you send somebody down to inspect what we
3 think we can do?

4 Since August we have completed a complete compre-
5 hensive survey and survey plan, not only of the town but of
6 the surrounding potential land use. WE have brought our
7 street lighting system right up to the most modern there is
8 in West Virginia. We have also just now completed the final
9 phase of making a treatment plant that will finish all
10 our treatment sewers, pollution.

11 We have in this comprehensive survey plan the
12 recommendations of three playgrounds which is one of the
13 things we hope to implement if we file this application for
14 this model city.

15 MR. TAYLOR: Sir, I think you ought to file the
16 application. We will have it reviewed. It will be reviewed
17 both in the regional office and in Washington. We will
18 have somebody come visit your city. We will be talking to
19 the HEW people and OEO people and the others, anybody that
20 had contact with your community in terms of federal programs,
21 and we will be looking very hard at it.

22 Let me just make this point and I want to make it
23 as a general point, not really in response to your questions.
24 Because I don't want it misinterpreted as being discouraging
25 because I haven't seen your application and you haven't

1 submitted it and we wouldn't discourage anybody until
2 after we had reason to discourage them. But I am saying
3 that we are hopeful that the Congress will fund a second
4 year of planning for the reason that we think there may
5 very well be more than 70 or 80 well qualified communities
6 this first go-around and we would like to have this process
7 of pulling yourself together encouraged and extended and we
8 think that if the second generation of planning funds
9 come along, it is going to pick up a great many smaller
10 communities that just because of the number of communities
11 that are interested and involved passed the threshold or
12 capability might otherwise not be able to make it. That is
13 why I make the comment in general and not in response to you.
14 But I do think it is very important that this process of --
15 that our program is started. I think we ought to take
16 credit for it, although I think it had been under way
17 somewhat before hand. This process, we certainly encouraged
18 a great deal, is very healthy at the local level.

19 On additional point I didn't make when I made my
20 general comments: We are pinning responsibility for this
21 program at the level of the chief executive and the local
22 governing body.

23 This program is not one that is put off in an
24 in-agency of any kind. We figure that the guys who run the
25 city not only are the people who should be making the

1 decisions as to resource allocation, which is essentially
2 what this program is, but they are the people who should
3 be bringing up into the level of operational responsibility
4 and procedure. The responsibility for and the concern
5 were a combination of human physical problems that this progr
6 program calls upon you to have. WE think that it is an
7 integrated and strengthening force for local government and
8 we think in those terms particularly that the city managers
9 group should be with us.

10 QUESTION: I don't think the kit you sent me
11 included an application form.

12 MR. TAYLOR: I will see to it that the people in
13 the regional office are in touch with you. This is not
14 really a form.

15 QUESTION: Can I give you this letter to refer
16 to?

17 MR. TAYLOR: I will take it, yes.

18 QUESTION: As a reminder?

19 (Laughter.)

20 MR. TAYLOR: Yes.

21 QUESTION: Donald Ziemke, Muskegon Heights,
22 Michigan.

23 I understand that one of the new guidelines that
24 the area carved out of the city be about 10 percent of the
25 population. We have a community of about 20,000. How rigid

1 will you be on this?

2 MR. TAYLOR: Our guideline says 10 percent or
3 15,000. Reason? When the city is small, that size, a
4 neighborhood may not -- the neighborhood just may not be
5 big enough so you can deal with it. It may be bigger than
6 2,000 is what we are saying. There is a great deal of
7 flexibility, particularly with a smaller community. We
8 recognize the difference in treatment or the difference in
9 problem.

10 MR. ROWLANDS: I have a question.

11 The application is supposed to be in for the
12 request for the grant by say April 15?

13 MR. TAYLOR: May 1st.

14 MR. ROWLANDS: So that gives us a little lead
15 time. Assuming we get them in and they are approved, say
16 a number in the room here and the grant is made, then I
17 think you have something like 8 to 12 months to put your
18 program together. What I am saying is this: The funding --
19 when would the funding take place? At the end of the year?
20 And how is the situation from your standpoint right now in
21 the Congress?

22 The Vice President speaking to us this morning
23 was pessimistic saying a lot of work has to be done and
24 you mentioned the fact you might have a second year for
25 planning grants. What is your analysis of that situation?

1 How can we be of help other than of course getting on our
2 Congressman?

3 MR. TAYLOR: A lot of work has to be done. There
4 has to be an understanding in the Congress of what this
5 program means to the community. There is no other way of
6 describing it. I think if there is that understanding the
7 support will be forthcoming.

8 The President didn't cut a dime from the authorized
9 amounts when he went in with the budget request for this
10 program. In fact, the whole community development area did
11 very, very well in the Presidential budget. Research,
12 particularly in the technology side, we went from a half-
13 million dollars, which is the research money the whole
14 Department of Housing and Urban Development has, to \$20
15 million in his budget.

16 Now you people, all of you, have been dealing
17 with -- well, you have been dealing with the companies that
18 make mechanical equipment that you use. There isn't one
19 of them that hasn't been spending more money on research
20 and research and development than this Department has been
21 spending in general on the problem of the city and the problem
22 of the city does not only mean the big city and the big
23 city ghetto. The problem of the city means all of the
24 range of the problems that affect the metropolitan area and
25 the growth of our population. We had a half-million dollars

1 last year. So it is just essential that there be an
2 understanding that money can be spent effectively, that the
3 purpose for which it is spent relates to the needs out in
4 the countryside. There is that understanding and I think,
5 with good fortune and the continued support of the President
6 and Vice President, we are likely to get it but we need
7 your help.

8 MR. ROWLANDS: Anyone else have any other question?

9 QUESTION: Tom Kay from Flint, Michigan.

10 We are a little over 200,000 now, large enough
11 to have metropolitan problems but still small enough to be
12 compact for treatment.

13 There is an impetus in all the other federal
14 programs to funnel projects to the federal government that
15 are in compliance with the metropolitan area development
16 plan program. This created a Metropolitan Program Planning
17 Commission in our area. The Metropolitan Planning Commission
18 feels it should be its prerogative now to submit a
19 demonstration project, model cities project along with the
20 approval of the grants on all of the others.

21 Do you feel this is a necessity in this particular
22 program or even advisable?

23 MR. TAYLOR: At the risk of perhaps annoying some
24 of my compatriots on the planning side I will say no. I
25 will say no because I don't think our sophistication and

1 maturity at the metropolitan planning level has gone to the
2 point where I am willing to see the future, the ability
3 of a central city to handle its problems controlled by a
4 suburban ring that may or may not be willing to face up to
5 the reality of the facts. When that suburban ring is willing
6 to take its share of the load, open up the doors on housing
7 and other things, I will be more willing to have them given
8 more power.

9 (Applause.)

10 At this point --

11 (Applause.)

12 MR. INK: Ralph, I might just interject a brief
13 comment on Title II which we deferred a moment ago.

14 MR. KEENE: This model city bill has what you
15 might call a sleeper in it in Title II to which very little
16 attention has been paid in the press and it hasn't been
17 played up much in the local government journals because it
18 has no funding behind it yet but it is really set up as
19 a parallel to the model city program and it bears I think
20 directly on your question.

21 The model city program as Secretary Taylor said
22 is aimed at these problems of get to neighborhoods in our
23 core cities. Title II is aimed at what the President and
24 Congress recognize as an equally important and complex
25 problem, and that is the total metropolitan area.

1 What can we do to help them get together and solve
2 their own problems? So the Title II carries the present
3 metropolitan planning requirements that you referred to
4 several big steps further and without going into any detail
5 on what our standards might be, it will try to bring
6 along further those metropolitan areas that have already
7 done as you indicated Flint has done, so that they will
8 start programming and actually building their metropolitan
9 facilities on the basis of plans that they get together and
10 make themselves.

11 Under Title II, again oversimplifying it, it
12 says that if this is done in a metropolitan area, that the
13 basic grants will be increased by 20 percent so if a
14 water grant or an open space grant is going into any one of
15 those cities at 50 percent and a total metropolitan area
16 complies with our Title II programming requirements, then
17 the grant would be supplemented by an additional 20 percent,
18 making the equivalent of 70 percent of the project cost.
19 This was a phenomenally important thing for every metro-
20 politan area in the country. We are delighted, and I am
21 personally amazed at the kind of metropolitan area planning
22 that has gone on, that has been started and made such
23 phenomenal success as a result, as a direct result of the
24 federal government's metropolitan area planning requirements.

25 We are very hopeful that if Title II gets funded

1 and this additional supplement is offered, this additional
2 attraction to induce the cities to get together, that the
3 metropolitan area problem can be aired a long way down the
4 road. This is a big thing. It is right in that model city
5 bill as Title II.

6 MR. TAYLOR: Let me go back to your point.

7 Section 204 nor Title II, neither of them,
8 require the submission of a model city plan to a regional
9 planning agency. There is no bonus. There is no
10 requirement. Some of the components of a model city's
11 plan that have region-wide implications, if you were doing
12 as part of this you intended to do a water or sewer project,
13 if you intended to do a transportation project, some other
14 component that really made sense only in a regional context,
15 then that component ought to be in.

16 Now that is the compulsory end of it. Let me move
17 to the other side of it. The voluntary side.

18 We are asking for innovation in the approaches
19 to the problem. WE would be delighted and we will consider
20 and give brownie points on it, I think is the best term to
21 describe it, we will give brownie points to those community
22 that will get together and work out regional solutions.
23 We are not trying to discourage it. All I am saying is that
24 it is not required so that it can't be blocked under the
25 conditions I posited earlier but if you can get together and
show that you are doing something over and beyond what is
necessary, that you are working out a regional

1 the solution of your problems, God bless you and we would
2 love to see it.

3 Yes?

4 QUESTION: Either yourself or Mark might comment
5 on this.

6 Under Section 204, and I was talking about this
7 at lunch, will it be mandatory there be an agency for
8 review?

9 MR. TAYLOR: I bow to you, Mar,

10 MR. KENNE: The question is: Is it mandatory
11 there be a regional planning agency through which these
12 projects would clear?

13 I heard this answer both ways.

14 (Laughter.)

15 MR. INK: Which projects are we talking about?

16 MR. KEENE: The metropolitan area projects required
17 to clear through the regional planning agency under Section
18 204.

19 MR. TAYLOR: The 204 projects.

20 QUESTION: After June 30 I am speaking of now.

21 MR. EISMAN: The 204, these are the projects that
22 are covered. Open space land projects. Hospitals, airports,
23 libraries, water supply and distribution facilities,
24 sewage facilities, water treatment works, highways,
25 transportation facilities and water development and land

1 conservation projects.

2 Now as I read this, it applies to all of these
3 projects that, before you come in with your application,
4 and I am not talking about it now as part of the model
5 city's program but for the projects themselves, I think as
6 Mr. Taylor said it would apply to the specific project in
7 the model city's plan, is to be submitted to this area-
8 wide planning agency if there is one for their review and
9 comment.

10 The review and the comments are to be submitted
11 with your application to the federal agency concerned. If
12 the local planning agency or the area-wide planning agency
13 does not submit its comments to you within 60 days, then you
14 submit your application without their comments and I guess,
15 unless they come in later, we don't have to --

16 MR. TAYLOR: To answer your specific question,
17 does there have to be one: As in the collegial spirit of
18 the Department we now are, this is not my program
19 responsibility, but I think I can answer it. If there is a
20 regional planning agency, it goes to it, as described. If
21 there is none existing in the area, we go to the governor.
22 The governor or the state planning board can designate the
23 agency that will review this and make comment. If they
24 fail to designate, then I think in that circumstance we
25 go ahead because not having designated there wouldn't be

1 any comments in the 60 days and we have that out. But we
2 do hope and expect that either at the regional level
3 through a regional planning commission or a council
4 government that has a planning operation or at the state
5 planning level, there will be some larger planning agency to
6 which this can be referred for checking.

7 Now notice that that planning agency does not
8 have a veto power. They comment on it and it is those
9 comments that are reviewed along with the review of the
10 application and the objective of this, as Mark indicated,
11 is to encourage metropolitan planning to achieve the
12 economies of scale, the working together that it's time we
13 really began to achieve.

14 QUESTION: You are referring to the model city
15 itself?

16 MR. TAYLOR: I am referring to your --

17 QUESTION: How about separate grant for sewage
18 facility?

19 MR. TAYLOR: That is what I am referring to. I
20 am talking about a question you raised.

21 QUESTION: Is there, anything in the law that
22 states, at least as we read it, that this smallest area
23 can be SMSA, is this the way you gentlemen are interpreting
24 it?

25 MR. TAYLOR: This would generally be it, yes.

1 QUESTION: Thank you.

2 MR. KEENE: As far as Section 205 is concern
3 the metropolitan area specifying defined as SMSA, unless
4 modified or extended by the Secretary. So Secretary Weaver
5 would under certain circumstances of the operation of
6 modifying that but generally speaking it is the SMSA.

7 MR. INK: I think, if there are no more questions
8 at the moment, we might, Ralph, ask Norm if he might want
9 to comment briefly and highlight where we are going in the
10 intergovernmental area.

11 MR. TAYLOR: I think he will say yes.

12 MR. BECKMAN: I would first like to reiterate
13 something Dwight said. That is how glad we are to have
14 Harold Horn here. He is a real tower of strength to
15 just speaking provicially to our Department in trying to
16 accomplish the things we are trying to do, which is
17 essentially to strengthen local government so they can do the
18 job.

19 And I think generally, insofar as the interests
20 of communities are concerned, I really -- if I don't get
21 interrupted by the Vice President I will cite some chapter
22 and verse on that.

23 We are discovering all sorts of new things in
24 intergovernmental relations. Federal government discovered
25 metropolitan areas about five years ago. Some people think

1 almost to a fault we have discovered the metropolitan area.
2 But in addition we rediscovered a couple of other levels.
3 One, the neighborhood. There is a new level of government.
4 And the other is the state. We are finding ourselves
5 increasingly working with both these new dimensions as far
6 as -- or revitalized dimensions as far as I am concern.

7 Ralph mentioned the role of -- we are really talking
8 about model neighborhoods. Is that the official title of
9 this?

10 MR. TAYLOR: The title is not official.

11 MR. INK: It was demonstration cities. Then
12 model cities. It may be the brownie point program before
13 we are through.

14 (Laughter.)

15 MR. BECKMAN: We are not the only ones to discover
16 the crucial nature of the neighborhood and the fact you
17 all have to be more sensitive to that as a level of
18 government so to speak. The neighborhood youths corp,
19 the small business practices, the community action agency
20 activities, neighborhood facilities in our own program
21 to put a range of services close to people that will use
22 them. All have made the neighborhood a new dimension for
23 us.

24 Likewise, at the state level we have -- we are
25 trying to develop a more balanced approach, a comprehensive

1 approach to a meeting here of problems and the states that
2 are showing great interest in this end of potentiality for
3 great contributions and we intend to work with them.

4 We have a new program, Title IX, still would be
5 funded which would give grants to states to provide
6 technical assistance activities, to provide city manager
7 type services on an advisory basis, consultant basis, to all
8 communities in the state under 100,000. We think this is
9 crucial, especially for those smaller communities that
10 don't have the ability to attract specialists to recruit
11 experts in everything from municipal finance to air pollution.

12 We are hopeful the states will set up litt HUD's,
13 set up state offices in local affairs to provide a
14 continuing base for us to relate to and provide service
15 to local governments. This is in the budget.

16 Likewise, we have a Title VIII program to get the
17 states directly involved in providing training services,
18 both for their employees and for local employees.
19 Everything again from two-week seminars to sending people to
20 the Harvard Business School or School of Public Administration
21 for a year. Here again we want to build a new institutional
22 base at the state level directed to improving performance
23 of urban services.

24 At the metropolitan area itself we have a new
25 program that I think you people can relate to very easily,

1 and that is the metropolitan expedite.

2 We want to put HUD people in a region, in a
3 metropolitan area, at the request of the local governments
4 there to help be a focal point for relating federal
5 activities in that metropolitan area to the needs of the
6 metropolitan area itself, to help local governments, local
7 officials find their way around the large number of federal
8 grants that have similar or somewhat different requirements,
9 advantages, disadvantages, given a specific case.

10 We want him to be kind of an objective person
11 that is available to help promote cooperation, area-wide
12 approaches, innovations. He should be there to serve the
13 local governments. He will be a source of intelligence
14 both for the city managers and federal people as to what the
15 most crucial needs of the individual communities and the
16 region are concerned. We have a pilot program under way
17 this year. We hope if the budget comes through to get into
18 this in a larger way next year.

19 I would like to mention two things that Harold's
20 office that we are working on as examples of what we are
21 doing in the research and demonstration area.

22 We were visited by the National Bureau of Standards
23 people a while back who said we have come up with a lot of
24 new ways of doing this. Systems analysis, operations research,
25 fresh ways of administering urban services in ways we haven't

1 thought about traditionally, in packaging programs, in
2 analytical techniques, mathematical tools that could be
3 applied. How about giving us, the Bureau of Standards,
4 a grant to really get the word out to local governments on
5 this? That is all well and good but we drew off a
6 little bit. What does the Bureau of Standards really know
7 about local government administration? In fact what do
8 most of our people know? We are in Washington. We are not
9 as close as we should be to what it takes to run a city.
10 So it was just a great pleasure to be able to call Harold up,
11 have him come over. He and his staff have been working with
12 the Bureau of Standards people and ourselves to get a
13 viable training and development program going, work with
14 the city managers, to try this out.

15 Another area --

16 MR. ROWLANDS: Mr. Vice President, we wanted to
17 express the fine cooperation we have had with your executive
18 office. We are certainly gratified. We are grateful for
19 your support. I know you are busy and won't infringe on
20 your time.

21 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: Thank you very much.

22 I have had one of those days again which is
23 traditional. Following our luncheon at the White House for
24 the Prime Minister of Korea, I had to spend some time at
25 the White House on some other matters and then I arrived

1 over here and we have a few legislative problems with the
2 Rural Electrification Cooperatives on their supplemental
3 financing and a certain man of rather substantial authority
4 spoke to me and said it would be well if I would visit with
5 them.

6 (Laughter.)

7 And I spent a little time doing that despite
8 your presence here in this room.

9 My next assignment, you will be interested in
10 knowing because I am sort of the general practitioner in the
11 government -- I am not sure I have a certificate but I am a
12 general practitioner --

13 (Laughter.)

14 Mrs. Humphrey and I are the host and hostess for
15 6,500 needy and deprived youngsters in the District of
16 Columbia and surrounding areas to a circus and since I
17 gained some fame taking my granddaughters to the circus I
18 have become the official circus goer --

19 (Laughter.)

20 -- for the Administration.

21 When I took my granddaughter for her fifth
22 birthday to the circus I ended up with chocolate frosting
23 and candy floss and Crackerjack and butter spots and Cheerio
24 bars on my new suit which made me look like I was a member of
25 the younger set.

1 You have had a discussion here now with our officials
2 from the departments, I gather, with at least two here,
3 Dwight and Ralph -- Dwight I think and Ralph Taylor and
4 possibly others. I don't know who else has been participating.

5 MR. INK: Just bringing them up to day briefly
6 on the new activities and legislative programs.

7 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: Many of you, I think
8 most all of you must have been where I was about 11 o'clock
9 today so you heard that well organized --

10 (Laughter.)

11 -- speech of mine over there.

12 I had originally planned on being at the luncheon
13 but because of other events, as I have indicated, I had to
14 change my schedule.

15 I would emphasize two things here. We are really
16 going to have our problems before the respective
17 appropriations committees of the Senate and the House. I
18 am not critical of the men who were in charge of those
19 committees because there are tremendous demands upon them
20 but all of the programming of the Administration has been
21 based around certain assumptions as you can imagine, like
22 the passage of the surtax and a certain degree of prosperity
23 in the economy which will lend itself under the present
24 tax system an estimated amount of revenue.

25 We don't know how the economy will do. We think

1 it will move ahead and we think it maybe will move ahead a
2 little faster than we had contemplated. If that is the case,
3 then the revenue situation eases itself.

4 We surely have no guarantee that the surtax will
5 be readily passed by the Congress. If I am taking the
6 temperature of the members of Congress on taxes right now,
7 I would say that there isn't any fever. There may be
8 slightly subnormal.

9 (Laughter.)

10 So that everybody on these committees, the
11 Appropriations Committees from the chairman of each, the
12 House and the Senate, will be looking very carefully at the
13 budget request.

14 I don't need to tell you those budget requests are
15 minimums. They really are. Fortunately, in the model
16 cities programs we went as far as the authorization would
17 permit.

18 On some of the water -- on pollution programs,
19 sewage disposal and so on, those are less than the
20 authorizations so that we are going to be asking only for
21 the most modest -- for modest amounts.

22 I think we are asking for more than had been asked
23 before in other days but in light of the needs of the
24 communities, the amounts are still very modest.

25 We are going to need your help.

1 Now how does that help become effective?

2 When I say we are going to need your help, let's
3 put it this way: You will need to help yourself for your
4 respective communities. The only way I know to make that
5 help effective is to ask for the right and the privilege,
6 personal testimony before those subcommittees that hold
7 these hearings.

8 I am of the opinion that much of the testimony
9 that comes from the Executive Branch before subcommittees
10 of Congress, while it is essential and while it lays the
11 base of factual information, that it is not nearly as
12 persuasive, may I say, as city manager or a mayor or
13 councilman or legislator coming in with a degree of righteous
14 indignation that you have been denied justic for these
15 many years. You know, a little pounding, pounding of the
16 table, particularly if a member of Congress from your area
17 happens to be on that subcommittee. And you ought to speak
18 privately to these members, you ought to tell them why you
19 think these requests are essential.

20 I think most of you would tell them they are not
21 enough because I think that is a fact that we could use
22 much more and I believe that you can make, with complete
23 integrity, a statement or a case in support of the minimum
24 amounts that are in these budget requests. I can't over-
25 emphasize to you the importance of that. Because my own

1 evaluation today would be that those requests of the President
2 would be cut as of now. I think they would be cut sub-
3 stantially.

4 I see a couple of Assistant Secretaries getting
5 pale here.

6 (Laughter.)

7 But that is about what I think is going to
8 happen, unless we can do something about it. That is why
9 I have been around the country in labor and business and
10 the municipal groups and country groups and city managers,
11 to urge you now really to do a job, to do an effective
12 job. They call it lobbying. I think what we should call it
13 is representation of your interests in what you need
14 to have done. That is number one.

15 So far as coordination of programs are concerned,
16 gentlemen, we got so many coordinators in this government
17 that we got to get the coordinators coordinated first. We
18 are making a desperate effort to coordinate. I think we
19 are doing pretty well. I really do. Your own association
20 is very helpful to this.

21 As I said to the league this morning, your people
22 that are here, that represent you, are helping us put these
23 pieces together to get these programs to work together in a
24 synchronized, harmonious manner. But more important in
25 coordination is action and one of the things that we tried to

1 encourage now in the government departments after they have
2 been properly set up now and the programs are filtering
3 through the departments and the regulations are being developed
4 and the administrative staff is being properly set up, we
5 want action.

6 When you apply you get an answer and if you don't
7 get an answer, write the Vice President. It is just that
8 simple. I want you to feel to do that.

9 I know the department heads want to work with you.
10 Many times these things get bogged down on technical details.
11 You didn't fill out the application properly or somebody
12 didn't, or it got into a regional office where somebody
13 didn't get a hold of it right away or something else
14 happened.

15 Well, I have some people working for me that do
16 not run the departments. The Vice President doesn't run
17 anything. I can assure you we don't run one single thing.

18 (Laughter.)

19 I told a group the other night I am the only man
20 in the government that has responsibility and no authority.
21 We have responsibility. But what we can do for you is to
22 get in touch with our friends, and they are our friends
23 here who we greatly respect and I think the respect is
24 mutual, to get at it, and when I call up Dwight Ink or if
25 I call up Ralph Taylor or if I call up John Gardner or if

1 I call up Secretary Bob Weaver or Secretary Wirtz or one of
2 these people, they get at it right away and put their people
3 on it. We dig out the material and start getting you some
4 action. That is what you mean by coordination. That is the
5 kind of coordination that really counts.

6 We have also asked at the regional levels, as you
7 know, that there be an improved in the coordinated structure.
8 We are getting that through the federal executive boards.
9 That is one of them. WE also have ad hoc arrangements in
10 some of the key areas where we get HEW and HUD and OEO
11 and Labor that do work together, where there is one of them
12 that is sort of the crown prince of the outfit and he sort
13 of calls the meetings and we try to get things worked out
14 at the local or regional level and at that level we are asking
15 that some of the state and the local representatives be
16 brought in so that we are all talking the same language
17 and on the same wavelength.

18 I don't think there is much more I can say to you.

19 Legislation is in. I think I know a good deal
20 about your needs. I think you ought to know that we are
21 hopeful some day that we can do more about them.

22 I mentioned this morning Gardner Ackley's role
23 in this task force on post Vietnam.

24 I am sure that you know that we are looking at
25 every one of these programs for their flaws and their

1 weaknesses. But don't sell them short. One thing I found
2 out that happens is it is so easy to nit-pick and it is
3 just to pick at the programs and say they are not good
4 enough and they should have done this and should have done
5 that. If you keep it up long enough the Congress will
6 believe you and take away the programs.

7 What we need to do is, amongst ourselves, recognize
8 what the limitations are of some of these programs and
9 bring it in through your officer, bring it up through
10 your secretariat, bring it on into the Departments HUD or
11 HEW or whatever other department it is, and if you can't
12 find one of them in bring it into my office, into Neal
13 Peterson or bring it to me. I am available. Nobody has
14 trouble getting hold of me. I got a whole damn fistful
15 of telephone calls that thick, just what I got while I was
16 up here while you were waiting for me. I am the best
17 customer of AT&T.

18 (Laughter.)

19 So just feel free to keep in touch with us. We
20 will have to coordinate on the basis of touch and go every
21 day because your job and so am I.

22 I don't know what else I can say except that I
23 better get along.

24 QUESTION: I am Bert Johnson across the river and
25 I would like to make a suggestion to your Administration to

1 try to involve our school people into the dialogue of the
2 Great Society and I think there is as many school teachers
3 as there are public employees but they are the least
4 knowledgeable about all these various problems that exist
5 in modern cities and I would like to see you get them in the
6 dialogue.

7 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: I am glad you mentioned
8 it because I have a whole series of meetings with school
9 teachers. Elementary school principals, secondary school
10 principals, superintendents. I have the whole gamut and
11 I will give them --

12 QUESTION: Give them hell.

13 (Laughter.)

14 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: You said that.

15 (Laughter.)

16 I get into so much trouble in all these things I
17 say I have to be careful.

18 I was just going to give them a little of that
19 solid information along the lines which you have indicated.

20 (Laughter.)

21 QUESTION: There are concentric circles beyond all
22 these problems.

23 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: Yes, I agree with that
24 and a very big part of the total public service area and
25 sometimes they feel removed and remove themselves.

1 QUESTION: I have a report from Oklahoma State
2 University and they were real appreciative of your visit
3 and said it did a tremendous job and had a real impact on
4 the programs the way you put them over up there and they
5 really appreciated it. One of the vice presidents, I
6 happened to be talking with him this morning.

7 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: Thank you. I read in
8 the paper I received a respectful reception.

9 (Laughter.)

10 I thought it was darned enthusiastic. I must say
11 I thought they were great.

12 QUESTION: They felt that way too.

13 MR. ROWLANDS: Anybody else?

14 MR. INK: I would like to say the Vice President,
15 of course, has provided tremendous leadership as you know
16 in this whole area and we certainly appreciate his help in
17 supporting the new Department which has felt its guidance
18 and support very continually over the recent months.

19 MR. ROWLANDS: One more thing, Mr. Vice President.
20 The fact that you have before you a group of professional
21 administrators that go on for some years is important because
22 in all due respect to your county groups and areas you have
23 turned over and we want you to know we are ready to assist
24 this program and become involved and we are as dedicated as
25 you are to improving the urban environment.

1 VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY: I would like to leave
2 this final thought with you. I want you to, in your work-
3 shops, so to speak -- here is a group of you -- you take a
4 look at our programs very carefully. This is particularly
5 true after you see how some of them begin to work. For
6 example, we don't know very much about what model cities will
7 do. It is an idea now. It is legislation. We don't
8 even have money. As we go along and see how it works, make
9 a kind of constructive analysis of it because you are the
10 professionals. I mean you don't have to, you know, you
11 really don't have to campaign as hard as I do to hold your
12 jobs.

13 (Laughter.)

14 Except in a limited circle.

15 (Laughter.)

16 So give us the analysis of these programs and also
17 the same of some of the smaller ones, particularly the
18 projects that mean so much to our communities like the
19 sewer and water program. What do you consider their
20 weaknesses in our regulations? I am sure my friends in the
21 Departments aren't angry with me when I tell them these
22 regulations are not sacrosanct. These are put out by
23 mortals, people who think they are doing the best they can.
24 Sometimes they plainly just don't fit, you know, and I
25 don't want us to be as stubborn on the regulations as the

1 If I don't get out of here I will lose a wife
2 and 6,000 kids.

3 (Applause and standing ovation.)

4 MR. INK: Let me just mention in closing that since
5 we last met with some of you, we have completed reorganization,
6 at least on paper. When you get out into the different
7 areas you find that there are a lot of tag ends that have to
8 be still pieced together, a lot of processes that aren't
9 quite functioning the way they ought to, but one of the
10 main parts of that reorganization, you recall, was an effort
11 to strengthen the field offices, strengthen the regional
12 offices and enable them to provide better service out in
13 the field to the local communities.

14 Norm has spoken of the pilot operation on the
15 metropolitan expeditors but I think we would like very much,
16 Norm would like to and Ralph and I also would like to know
17 from you how the operation is working, how the regional
18 offices are functioning and we do appreciate constructive
19 suggestions. They have been helpful to us during the past
20 year and I am sure they will be helpful in the future.

21 Thank you very much.

22 MR. ROWLANDS: Thank you, Dwight and Secretary
23 Taylor and Norm and Mark --

24 Since the hour is late I think the meeting is
25 adjourned.

1 Harold has one announcement first.

2 MR. HORN: I want to take advantage of one more
3 man if you have a minute, Glen Stahl from the Civil Service
4 Commission. He is doing a lot of work in the area of
5 personnel needs on local and city government. If we just
6 had a couple of minutes --

7 MR. ROWLANDS: Can we have a couple of minutes
8 to hear from Glen?

9 MR. HORN: Some of you heard John Macy's comments
10 yesterday and I think this man specifically has some
11 activity going on that is of direct interest to everybody
12 in the state and local government so if you have just a
13 minute we would like to hear from him.

14 MR. STAHL: Let me suggest I not prolong the
15 meeting.

16 Since most of you, I assume, did hear John Macy
17 yesterday afternoon in one of the sessions at least, I
18 guess it was the open session, and he outlined the planning
19 that we are now engaged in in developing a grant program and
20 some related features in the manpower area to deal more
21 directly with manpower problems in our states and cities
22 than is now possible under the substitute grant programs.

23 Let me, because Norm and Beckman made one reference
24 to training, let me point out that the kind of training
25 that we are working on is really supplementary to the

1 programs that already exist in the way of training
2 opportunities for state and local employees and not in
3 conflict with those. Let me also add that, give you a little
4 statistics that you may have bits and pieces of because you
5 contribute to these statistics but the Bureau of Labor
6 Statistics and our office recently estimated that in that
7 classic category of personnel that the Municipal Manpower
8 Commission referred to, administrative, professional and
9 technical business apartment personnel, that the estimate is
10 that our cities, for replacement purposes and expansion,
11 are going to need on the average of a quarter of a million
12 people in those categories each year for at least the next
13 decade. Nobody can predict beyond that. That is 2-1/2
14 million people in a decade in the administration and
15 professional and technical area so we are rather impressed
16 with the extent and depth of the need here and this is why
17 John Macy described the program that we are working on which
18 hasn't reached the point of a final Presidential proposal
19 although the President is committed to make a proposal along
20 these lines and of course you are already aware that
21 Senator Muskie's bill that has already been introduced on
22 which some hearings were held last fall is roughly parallel
23 to the kind of thing we are talking about.

24 If anybody has any question about this I would
25 be happy to try to respond and talk at least in terms of

1 what we are thinking about openly and honestly about
2 what we are planning on but there still is not a final bill
3 so I can't say in Title II, Section 305 that something or
4 other is provided.

5 John did yesterday in his remarks, he told me
6 he stuck to his remarks just as we prepared them --

7 (Laughter.)

8 -- that he did describe some of the particular
9 features that he thought would be of interest to city
10 administrations so let me just invite any questions, if
11 any of you have any.

12 If not we will assume you are comparatively happy
13 and go on with our planning.

14 MR. ROWLANDS: Anyone have a comment?

15 MR. STAHL: I already arranged Bert Johnson to
16 keep quiet because I live in his community. He has to
17 behave. I vote over there.

18 MR. ROWLANDS: We appreciate your remarks. I
19 want to remind everyone we do have this Congressional
20 reception, as you know, at 6 o'clock and then quite a few
21 of the states and others are having their representatives
22 and senators for dinner.

23 We appreciate all of you coming up here. I think it
24 has been a most thought-provoking and stimulating experience
25 for all of us and from this we hope will emerge a very

1 successful program for this session of the Congress.

2 If there are no general comments, we stand adjourned.

3 (Whereupon, the meeting was concluded.)

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