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U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS/ ONDCP DRUG SUMMIT MAY 20 -21

Tuesday May 20, 1997 - Omni-Shoreham Hotel

- 9:00 AM** **Opening Plenary Session**
Richard M. Daley, Mayor of Chicago, President, U.S. Conference of Mayors
Brent Coles, Mayor of Boise, Co-chair, Task Force on Drug Control
Scott King, Mayor of Gary, Co-chair, Task Force on Drug Control
- 9:30 AM** **National Drug Control Strategy Overview**
General Barry McCaffrey, Director, Office of National Drug Control
- 9:45 AM** **Comments by participants on Key Drug Control Issues in Cities**
- 11:00 AM** **Federal Law Enforcement Briefing**
Thomas Constantine, Director, DEA
Raymond Kelly, Under Secretary for Enforcement, Treasury Department
- 11:45 AM** **Briefing on International Aspects of Drug Control**
Ambassador William Richardson, U.S. Representative to the United Nations (T)
- 12:15 PM** **Break and administrative notes**
- 12:30 PM** **Luncheon**
Introduction: Deedee Corradini, Mayor of Salt Lake City
TBD
- 12:30 PM** **Press Availability**
Director McCaffrey, Mayor Daley, Mayor Coles, Mayor King

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- 2:00 PM** **Prevention and Education**
Wellington Webb, Mayor of Denver, Chair
Bill Modzeleski, Director, Safe and Drug Free Schools
Nelba Chavez, Substance Abuse & Mental Health Svcs Admin.
Jim Burke, President, PDFA
- 3:00 PM** **Treatment and Research**
Paul Helmke, Mayor of Fort Wayne, Chair
David Maclas, Director, CSAI
Dr. Alan Leshner, NIDA
Robert Polito, Executive Director Bowery Mission, NYC
- 4:00 PM** **Enforcement**
Jerry Abramson, Mayor of Louisville, Chair
James Johnson, Assistant Secretary for Enforcement, Treasury Department
Police chief
prosecutor
- 6:00 PM** **Reception**

Wednesday May 21, 1997 - White House, East Room

- 9:00 AM** **Breakfast and round table discussions with POTUS, VP, and
Cabinet members. Participants engage in informal discussions.**
- 10:00 AM** **PRESS/ MEDIA enter East Room**

Remarks by POTUS, VP, Mayor Daley

Press leaves East Room

Remarks by selected mayors
- 11:15 AM** **Break and move to Press Conference**
- 11:30 AM** **Closing Press Conference -- Director McCaffrey, Mayor Daley,
U.S Conference of Mayors' Drug Task force**
- 12:30 PM** **Congressional Hearing on Drug Control**

Summary of The Phoenix Solution, Getting Serious About Winning America's Drug War
Author Vincent T. Bugliosi, released March of 1996. 265 pages.

Summary of first 77 pages:

- 1) Interdiction and eradication are not feasible options. Author uses a substantial amount of anecdotal information and news clippings to buttress his argument.
- 2) Author agrees we should educate 100% of our youth.
- 3) There is a reference (p.73) to the 1992 CALDATA study showing treatment can generate a seven to one return on investment, mostly due to a reduction in crime and health care. (P. 47 1997 National Drug Control Strategy)
- 4) Asserts the United States has failed to adequately commit itself to winning the "war on drugs".

The second part of the book contains the author's solutions.

PROPOSAL 1 - SEARCH AND FIND MISSIONS

The author advocates military search and find missions to apprehend foreign drug dealers who have been indicted in U.S. Courts

PROPOSAL 2 - INTERDICTION

The author advocates interdiction of drug profit monies.

The United States would move to two currencies. The current U.S. dollar would have no value domestically, only overseas. There would be a 90 day conversion period. Those currently in possession of the current U.S. currency would trade in their money for a new currency, different size and color. The current U.S. currency could only be used overseas.

Bugliosi's reasoning, by making the current U.S. currency worthless domestically we would eliminate the current practice of drug smugglers smuggling U.S. currency back to South America.

The author advocates interdiction of wire and electronic transfers by IRS agents positioned in banks across the country. His eventual and ultimate goal would include IRS agents staffing computerized central command posts where all "Outgoing Wire Transfer Requests" would be funneled for review and follow up when deemed appropriate.

PROPOSAL 3- NONENFORCEMENT AND LEGALIZATION FEASIBILITY STUDY

The author does not advocate immediate legalization but does in fact recommend nonenforcement of drug laws for an experimental period of time and a presidential appointed panel of distinguished Americans, from outside government, to study the feasibility of legalization.

The author argues that although drug use would rise, the drop in the price of drugs would create less need for criminals to commit crime and therefore the majority of Americans would have less chance of being victimized.