

independent appraisals if you press your point. But he also refused to make public a review of the appraisal made by the company for ninety-seven million, three hundred and seventy thousand dollars. His reason for refusing to make it public is that he felt the review of the appraisal was critical of the appraisal and that was why he didn't make it public.

A. Yes, I was a little bit concerned when I heard this, and I talked to Mr. Stanton on the phone this morning. He indicated that it wasn't an appraisal, but the document that he was referring to was an independent opinion that commented about the previous appraisal. It didn't set any figures. That's why he was reluctant to make it available to the news media. However, he said that he would certainly be glad to talk with the reporters about the situation again, and I suggest you contact him once more on it.

Q. Governor, in your talk with the Chairman of the Liquor Board of Baltimore County, did he mention the fact that there is the possibility that a lot of these federal establishments are suing the State of Maryland?

A. No, he did not mention that.

Q. Do you have any comment?

A. Well, I don't know anything about the situation. I know when I was county executive, there were one or two establishments that were involved in this, and the police cracked down on it and we thought we were rid of that problem. I haven't heard anything about it since that time.

NEWS RELEASE AND STATEMENT ON DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS

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Governor Agnew today called on State department heads to "rigorously rejustify" their present expenditures before submitting their budget requests to him for next fiscal year.

The Governor made the statement in a letter to all agency heads which accompanied the regular forms and instructions sent to them routinely each July for preparation of the next year's budget.