

A. Just about every major area of the budget is being cut and scrutinized and I am not prepared at this moment to release the details of these because frankly we haven't arrived at firm decisions. We are still talking with the various boards and agencies about the cuts we have in mind before we even make them public. We expect that in the coming weeks you will be made aware of these things.

Q. Governor, on another topic — the day before yesterday Baltimore County Executive Dale Anderson said that when you were County Executive and when Chief Lally was Police Commissioner you could have cracked down on the pinballs but you did not because of a political thing. Could you comment on that?

A. I'd like to make this statement: I certainly want to commend the members of the Miles Gambling Study Commission and I want to commend all the various State's Attorneys and local law enforcement officials who cooperated to make this crackdown on illegal gambling a great success throughout the State. I think that we did have an amazing amount of cooperation from the local officials, particularly the enforcement group. They've done an excellent job and I'm sure that everyone agrees that we should move firmly and affirmatively within our resources to cut out this illegal gambling.

Q. How about the allegations of politics?

A. The enforcement officials that I've mentioned are not restricted to one party or the other and some of the areas where the raids took place are in the bailiwick of one party and some in the bailiwick of the other party. So I think the facts speak for themselves.

Q. Did you consider conducting these raids while you were County Executive?

A. We couldn't have conducted the raids because we didn't have the manpower for one thing; and, more importantly than that, the identities of the Baltimore County Police are well known to the people. To do this kind of operation you must provide law enforcement people who are not readily recognizable in the area where the raid takes place.

Q. Governor, on another subject again, would you briefly describe for the Washington viewers the compromise proposal that you put forth for the legislative districts?

A. Yes, I had a delegation from the Constitution Convention visit me this morning to urge that I reconsider single member districts.