The close-down on the war on drugs continued on the international scene. I do not have the time to get into all the statistics tonight. Our administration has just revealed that this administration closed down the international programs that were so successful under the Reagan and Bush Administrations, that stopped drugs at their source, that stopped drugs before they came in to the United States and came in to our borders.

What is sad is they perpetrated a myth that the war on drugs has been a failure, and some of their policies, again, closing down the efforts to stop drugs at their source, have resulted in an incredible volume of heroin, cocaine, coming into the United States.

The most dramatic example, of course, is Colombia. For 6 or 7 years now on a drug offense in the state of New York; that in fact 70 percent of the people behind bars, according to a study that I have quoted, have committed at least one felony, and very few of those who were in prison on lesser charges are there because of small possessions of drugs. One parole officer said to me there on lower charges, the study found, are there because the charge was reduced. It was plea bargained down.

So we have people who have committed in fact multiple felonies and serious offenses behind bars for these offenses and jails in New York, in particular, this study confirms, are not there because of minor drug offenses.

Unfortunately, tonight we do not have time to get into further detail. We will try to do that in subsequent special orders and update the Congress, you, Mr. Speaker, and my colleagues on these issues, to try to separate fact from fiction and shed some light on how we can do a better job in a multifaceted approach to bringing one of the most serious social challenges we have ever faced as a Nation or a Congress under control.

With those comments, unfortunately, my time has expired, and the business of the House has been completed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE
By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:
Mr. MARKEY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today on account of family illness.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED
By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:
(The following Members (at the request of Ms. SANCHEZ) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)
Ms. MCKINNEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. NETHERCUTT, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today, June 14, and June 15.
Mr. LAZO, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS
By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:
Mr. OBEY and to insert tables and extraneous material on H.R. 4577 in the Committee of the Whole today.

ADJOURNMENT
Mr. MICA. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until today, Wednesday, June 14, 2000, at 10 a.m.