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DRUG CONTROL CONFERENCE -- President Richard Nixon reaffirms his determination to wage "total war" on drug abuse as he addresses U.S. diplomats attending a first Conference on International Narcotics Control in Washington. He called winning that struggle "one of the most important, the most urgent national priorities confronting the United States today." Mr. Nixon asked the senior narcotics control officers from U.S. missions abroad to convey a "personal message from me to the foreign officials with whom you may be meeting." The message is that he "would not hesitate" to suspend all American economic and military assistance to nations whose leaders "participate in or protect the activities of those who contribute to our drug problem." (72-5937)

