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First lady Nancy Reagan addresses U.S. diplomats yesterday, urging them to continue the battle against drug abuse in their posted countries. At left is teen-ager Brent Vanholzer who spoke about his drug addiction.

First lady, diplomats shocked as teens relate drug experiences

By Michael Hedges

First lady Nancy Reagan yesterday called drug abuse "terrorism in a packet, a vial, a syringe," and urged U.S. diplomats to 19 countries and the United Nations to "carry the crusade against drugs" to the nations where they serve.

Mrs. Reagan highlighted her remarks by introducing two Northern Virginia teenagers who described how they became addicted to drugs, and then broke the habit with help from a local rehabilitation center.

Brent Banholzer, 16, a student at Woodbridge High School, told the diplomats of his progression from marijuana and alcohol at age 13 to PCP, LSD and other hard drugs.

"When I was first using drugs, it was fun," he said. "I thought I was getting away with something. But then it got out of hand, and I was breaking into houses to get money and things like that. I asked my mom if we could get help."

Michelle Williams, a 14-year-old student at Annandale High School, said she started using drugs at age 11. She said she tried a vast array of illegal substances before her parents, alarmed by her erratic behavior, took her to Straight, Inc., a drug treatment center in Springfield. "I realized how bad things got

when I started using cocaine with really low people," she said. "I felt ashamed. I was losing my goals. I didn't see them anymore.

Mrs. Reagan had visited Straight Inc., last year, and Michelle said the first lady remembered her from the visit. "She told me I looked like I had come a long way." Michelle said.

Both teen-agers said illegal drugs were readily available in the schools, and that a wave of anti-drug publicity had not had an impact on most of their classmates.

"It's about the same as it was a year ago," Brent said. "There is less pot, but there is more cocaine than ever. There is always about the same availability, just different drugs.

Michelle said drug use at her school was "about the same as ever."

In her remarks to the diplomats, Mrs. Reagan painted a more positive picture.

"We now have 10,000 parents" groups united against drug abuse,' she said. "The children are more aware as well. Young people have formed about 10,000 "Just Say No" clubs, which are positive peer groups designed to counter the peer pressure to use drugs.

Neither Annandale nor Wood-bridge has a "Just Say No" group, the teen-agers said. "Today was the first time I ever heard of that," said Brent.

They agreed with the first lady that peer pressure initially led them to try drugs. "I was confused," Michelle said. "I wanted to be cool and I was scared my friends would make fun of me if I didn't [use drugs].'

The envoys, who are stationed in countries that produce illicit drugs or serve as conduits for narcotics shipments, were recalled to Washington to meet with high-ranking Justice, State and Defense department officials.

Their meetings will climax with an address by President Reagan scheduled for this morning.

The goal of the two-day session was to encourage the ambassadors to make it clear to their host countries the United States will work to curb drug consumption if other na-tions combat drug production, officials said.

They are being urged to convince their host countries to participate in regional networks aimed at stopping the production and distribution of narcotics.

Michelle said the envoys seemed amazed at the young age when she first smoked marijuana.

They really didn't understand that little kids use drugs," she said. "That really surprised me."

She said one of the ambassadors asked her what kids needed most from their parents. "Strength," she replied.

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By John McCaslin

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Dear Dr. Turner,

Thonk you for the opportunity to speak at the Ambassadors conference. It was a wonderful experience. I apreciate the inspiration and support you give. Sincerely, C. Kevin Wanzer







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November 14, 1986

Dear Carlton:

Just a note to let you know how much I enjoyed the luncheon yesterday in honor of the Ambassadors' Conference on Narcotics.

I am sure the entire conference was a great success, as the luncheon was! It was good to have the opportunity to see and talk with so many of our Ambassadors. Thank you so much for including me.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely, Z. Wick Charles

The Honorable Carlton E. Turner Deputy Assistant to the President for Drug Abuse Policy The White House 20 NOV 1986 3884

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON November 18, 1986

Dear Principal Clark:

Thank you for your presentation to the Ambassadors Conference on Narcotics. Your comments were timely and helped the participants understand the seriousness of the drug problem.

I certainly admire your success story with Eastside High and wish you the best in your continuing efforts.

Sincerely,

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Carlton E. Turner, Ph.D. Director, Drug Abuse Policy and Deputy Assistant to the President

Mr. Joe Clark Principal Eastside High School Paterson, New Jersey 07501

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December 2, 1986

Dear Ambassador Levitsky:

Enclosed are pictures I am sure you will enjoy. Other photographs taken during the conference will be forthcoming.

Best wishes for the holidays.

Sincerely,

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Director, Drug Abuse Policy and Deputy Assistant to the President



The Honorable Melvyn Levitsky Ambassador American Embassy Sofia, Bulgaria APO New York 09213



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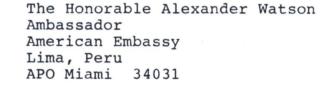
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