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## PUBLIC STATEMENT OF KELLY GOODMAN

MS. GOODMAN: Thank you. My name is Kelly Goodman.

This is kind of weird. I want to talk both ways.

1 Well, I'm concerned about -- I have posed the question,  
why transport high level, high level, high level, radioactive waste.  
When you are transporting high level radioactive waste, you have a  
high level of risks associated with that.

2... I didn't read the study. It's big. It's got lots of  
paper. But in my opinion, I feel like it is kind of like a quick fix.  
We're going to say we need to fix this, and not really look into  
what's going to happen.

3 Right now transportation I think about, okay, we have the  
map, we have all these cities where it is going to go to. Who is  
going to be ultimately responsible? So you have a hit, a truck failed  
in one city, is it going to be the city's responsibility to know about  
hazardous waste and how to clean it up?

2 cont. I just find a lot of lawsuits in the future for this  
because it does feel like it's unfinished, it is an unfinished report.  
Unfinished in that I like the points where it didn't have the flaws.  
What are the flaws? What about it doesn't work?

I really don't want to get sidetracked. But I wanted to  
tell the first day that I came to Nevada, when I moved here, in 1970,  
I was probably, I don't know how old, about ten years old. I can't do  
the math right now. But I drove across the desert into Las Vegas,  
Nevada, with my family. I was in a Plymouth sedan, and it was mom and  
dad and me and my brothers, and it was Thanksgiving day.

We came into Las Vegas. And we had traveled through the  
desert, and we come to Las Vegas, and it was Thanksgiving, and  
everything was closed except the casinos. And we went to the casinos,  
and they fed us, and that's what was my first Thanksgiving.

And that was my first coming through Nevada. And I have  
been in and out of Nevada for years, and people who maybe just come to  
Nevada, they see the desert, they see rocks and sagebrush, and it's  
very -- you know, just looks like it's nothing. There's nothing out  
there. There's land, lots of land with nothingness.

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And I know that's not to be true. The casino business,  
 one of my points -- I probably need to stick to my points because  
 4... there is a lot to be said here. [But the economy in Nevada is a  
 tourism economy. I mean, the highest rate of our economic growth is  
 tourism.]

If we put a nuclear dump, nuclear radiation dump in Las  
 Vegas, it's like the obvious things, we can all talk about the obvious  
 5 things that might happen. [Okay, the trucks on the transport or the  
 trains might have a problem.]

6 Who is going to be responsible for that? [What happens  
 when you get to the dump, to the site? Is the high level of water in  
 the mountain itself going to cause water contamination? That water  
 ultimately essentially gets to the Colorado River and to the city of  
 Las Vegas.]

We have been known in this southern part of the state to  
 have flash flooding. Deserts are known to have flash flooding.]  
 7 [There's also the seismic risk and activity as a whole area that hasn't  
 really been completely addressed.]

I mean, it is kind of like here is obvious things, and  
 we'll just scratch those aside. That is pretty obvious. It is an  
 active seismic area.

4 cont. [The tourism will be dramatically affected. It might be  
 affected to the point of crippling the entire state. There will be  
 the loss of jobs, the loss of tourists.]

I basically think that I also wanted to ask the question,  
 8 you know, [are you willing to place a hundred percent confidence  
 without a reasonable doubt that this thing is going to work? I mean,  
 is it going to work for five years, is it going to work for ten years,  
 is it going to work for a hundred? Nobody knows, and the facts are  
 too obscure.]

9 And I'm -- the other thing is, [the land is sacred land,  
 and when the Shoshone people had it, before they even mined uranium,  
 maybe that's why it was sacred land because somehow they knew this was  
 very toxic, volatile, unpredictable substance, and we need to respect  
 that. Because we don't know.]

And I do -- I am angry and I'm concerned about the

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unborn children because I don't want him to look at me when I'm older and say, why didn't you do anything? Why didn't you stop this? Why didn't you question this?

Because it's like if it goes into independent people, like independent contracting, well, so and so is driving the truck. So and so is loading it on the train. So and so is building the highway. And it's got all these people that are part of this thing that is supposed to be a collaboration, but it's not really a collaborated thing.

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And anyways, I don't want to see this done. So like in a hurry. It seems like we're kind of rushing something that might, you know, really need to be looked at.

I mean, we're looking at building the highway to hell. Because when is the last time anybody has been to Chernoble and seen what they had to do, try to encase a whole entire area? So you have this highway to hell going. And I'm not for it.

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And I just think let's slow down and get real concerned about. It is not like building McDonald's, and it's not like taking milk trucks across the United States and setting them in a warehouse somewhere. So thank you.