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### Damn You, Doug Bandow!

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The impressive Doug Bandow, Senior Fellow at the Cato Institute, beat me to an article I intended to write with this post today: [Drugmakers Supping with the Devil](#)

I'll just delete the notes I made for myself on this very topic, which I jotted down last night... figured I probably had until mid-week to write about how the pharmaceutical industry was making a short-sighted deal and thought I'd have a unique angle with my take. I should have thought about Bandow!

The only thing I'll add to his solid post is this timeless gem about compromise from Ayn Rand:

*It is only in regard to concretes or particulars, implementing a mutually accepted basic principle, that one may compromise. For instance, one may bargain with a buyer over the price one wants to receive for one's product, and agree on a sum somewhere between one's demand and his offer. The mutually accepted basic principle, in such case, is the principle of trade, namely: that the buyer must pay the seller for his product. But if one wanted to be paid and the alleged buyer wanted to obtain one's product for nothing, no compromise, agreement or discussion would be possible, only the total surrender of one or the other.*

*There can be no compromise between a property owner and a burglar; offering the burglar a single teaspoon of one's silverware would not be a compromise, but a total surrender—the recognition of his right to one's property.*

Since House Democrats are already looking for the pharmaceutical silverware, perhaps the industry will come to its senses and back out of this suicidal ad deal.



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Bandow is terrific.He wrote one like this about Walmart a few months back that was great. These companies and businesses who deal with these thugs should be shot! Great quote from Ayn Rand, by the way.

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