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Dear Hector:

I understand you are requesting an appointment with President-Elect Kennedy. I certainly hope that you and the leaders of the American GI Forum will be able to obtain an audience with him.

As I stated to you on the phone these appointments to posts of senior status will not be accomplished overnight. However, I don't think they will be extended past February. I'm doing all within my power to secure top positions for our people, and I would certainly appreciate your understanding and appreciation of the many problems I'm confronted with. Do not think that I'm in any way asking you to accept only what I tell you, nor would I pretend to dictate to you and your group the best approach to these problems. It is for you to exercise your best judgement in this area. Hector, patience in these matters is the greatest virtue.

If you have devised or have at your command a better method for obtaining these ends let me in on it as I am about out of new ideas.

Sincerely yours,

J. Carlos McCormick