June 14, 1965 Mr. Cliff Carter Democratic National Committee 1730 K Street NW Washington, D.C. Dear Mr. Carter: I enclose a copy of a letter which I have written to the President with reference to Mr. Vicente Kimenes. There is little that I can add to what I have already said about Mr. Rimenex except that I am sure that I express the sentiments of every member of the American G.1. Forum and of others who have devoted time and effort to achieve equal opportunity to citizens of Mexican extraction in the Southwest. In urging Mr. Kimenes' appointment, I am sincerely and truly thinking of our country's goals and the success of our efforts abroad rather than hr. Kimenes' advancement. I am just pleased that he happens to be a good friend. Thank you very much for your help. Sincerely yours.

JAMES DE ANDA

JDA: jlc Encl. HONORABLE LYNDON B. JOHNSON PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEAR PRESIDENT JOHNSON:

I WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT IN BEHALF OF VICENTE XIMENEZ, WHO IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE POSITION OF DEPUTY US. COORDINATOR OF THE ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS PROGRAMS.

AS STATE COMMANDER OF THE CHATHOLIC WAR VETERANS IN TEXAS I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE THE FINE WORK OF VECENTE XIMENES, BOTH IN SOUTH AMERICAN AND NOW WITH THE POVERTY PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HIS PAST PERFORMANCE, DEDICATION, LOYALTY AND HIS SUPPORT OF THE PROGRAMS OF THE GREAT SOCIETY DEMONSTRATE WITHOUT QUESTION THAT THE POSTION OF DEPUTY U.S. COORDINATOR.

A RERSON WITH VICENTE XIMENEZ BACKGROUND, COULD BE TREMENDOUS ASSET TO THE ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS IN SOUTH AMERICA.

TO A GREATER AMERICA FOR BETTER RELATIONSHIP IN SOUTH, AND FOR A GREATER ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS PROGRAM.

SINCERELY YOURS,

GILBERT L. HERRERA STATE COMMANDER