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Mr. Vicente T. Ximenes Chairman, Inter-Agency Committee on Mexican American Affairs The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ximenes:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 23, 1968, concerning the status of our investigations into possible civil rights violations in Hayward, California, and Monahans and Uvalde, Texas.

We have received from your committee and have carefully considered the reports of Mr. Edward O. Reyes concerning his investigation of the fatal shooting of Gilberto Garza by Hayward, California, Police Officers. In addition, the Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting a preliminary investigation. This investigation is presently pending.

We have conducted an extensive investigation into the case involving the fatal shooting of Jose Jacquez in Monahans, Texas. We are currently evaluating the reports to determine what action is appropriate.

As we stated in our letter to you of February 26, 1968, our investigation into possible civil rights violations in Uvalde, Texas, is continuing. When we have completed our investigation, the reports will be carefully reviewed. If a violation of Federal law is disclosed we will take appropriate action.

Sincerely,

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