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Mr. Bob Rodriguez
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Dear Bob;

Following my offer to keep you informed on what's going on in these areas, I am hereby submitting my first report.

On Dec. 5th-6th a hearing of State Senator Holmdahl's Fact Finding Committee on Race Relations and Urban Problems will be held in Los Angeles in which 5 minute presentations from Mexican-American organizations will be made. I have been invited to make the presentation for the GI Forum by members of the Ad-Hoc Employment Committee

The tragic death of President Kennedy has left the whole picture of the Spanish-speaking in the Southwest jumbled. All the Viva Kennedy clubs are finished and new Johnson groups will be created with GI Forum members playing a prominent role due to the closeness of Dr. Hector Garcia to the new President. Feelers have already gone out to the activists in this area. Another important item for us- in the Kennedy tragedy was the report circulated by several persons that they had heard one of the news commentators refer to the GI Forum as a 'communist front' when they r tied it to the spanish named suspect who was questioned as an acquaintance of Oswald. Something definite should be done about this.

Locally, Attorney John Arguelles was recently appointed to the East L.A. Municipal court where Judge Sanchez presides. Sanchez claims he was never consulted by the Governor on the appointment although the p other judge there ,Marion was. Arguelles you may recall was Walshok's -whom Leo defeated-campaign coordinator.

A large registration drive will soon be launched in East L.A. where there are thousands of unregistered citizens. Both the State and National committees and organized Labor have hinted there's money available for a good organized drive.

Both incumbents, Elliott and Song in the 40th and 45th Assembly districts will definetly have Mexican-American opposition. A meeting will soon be held to determine who shall be the candidate to run against Elliott. Tony Bueno, Richard Tafoya and your's truly are three who are being considered. Eddie Ramirez is set for the race in the 45th against Song.

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Two GI Forum members have landed jobs with the Veterans Administration. Alfred C Valdez (LA) with the L.A. County and Rudy Hernandez, CMH heroe, with the Regional office in Sawtall. This is the job promised by LBJ.

I will be making a trip to Tucson, Arizona on Dec. 26-28 for the purposes of promoting ~~the~~ "Among the Valiant" Once again I want to remind you that help is needed to spur the sales of the book. Every Forum chairman should be the number one salesman of his group. So far Los Angeles and the Southwest Forum have been helping.

That' all for this time.

Raul Morin

Western Area V-Chm.

cc; Dr. Hectro Garcia
Teen Flores

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