

FEBRUARY 25, 1961

MR. LAWRENCE F. O'BRIEN
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D?C.

DEAR MR. O'BRIEN:

I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU AND THE REST OF THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF FOR THE WONDERFUL ATTENTION THAT I RECEIVED WHILE I WAS THERE REPORTING TO THE PRESIDENT OF MY TRIP TO THE ISLAND OF TRINIDAD.

I ALSO WISH TO THANK YOU FOR THE LETTERS CONCERNING MR. VICENTE XIMENEZ FOR THE POSITION OF UNDER SECRETARY OF LATIN AMERICAN AFFAIRS AND JUDGE E.D. SALINAS FOR THE POSITION OF FEDERAL JUDGESHIP AND OTHER PERSONS CONCERNED.

I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OF MEXICAN ORIGIN WHO ARE NOW ORGANIZED IN A NATIONAL BASIS WILL CONTINUE TO HELP OUR GOOD FRIEND, PRESIDENT JOHN F, KENNEDY.

REGARDS AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

HECTOR P. GARCIA, M.D., FOUNDER
AMERICAN GI FORUM OF THE U.S.

March 16, 1961

Mr. Larry O'Brien,
Administrative Assistant to the President of the U.S.,
White House,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

I wish to acknowledge and thank you for all your communications and favors. I hope that the President, his family, and his staff are in the best of health.

I want to ask you another favor. When I returned from my trip, I reported to the President. He asked me to take a picture with him. The picture was taken, I believe, by the staff photographer. You would be doing me a great favor if you would get a copy of this picture for me since I would treasure it and would cherish it for many years to come. If there is any expense involved in this matter, please let me know and I will be glad to take care of it. Please rush me the picture when you find it.

Que viva Kennedy y Que viva Larry,

Hector P. Garcia, M. D.

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