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Dr. Hector Garcia
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Dear Dr. Garcia:

The Attorney General has asked me to respond to your telegram relating to the hiring of a Mexican-American and the establishment of a separate civil rights section to handle complaints filed by Spanish surnamed people.

With respect to hiring, I would like to assure you our policy is one which accepts applications from everyone who would like to apply. At present we are in the process of reviewing the application of a Mexican-American and we hope to have him on board as soon as is feasible. Additionally, we welcome any referrals that you might have to offer us.

Further our policy is one that gives greatest attention to all cases and complaints brought before this Department by any and all sources. We believe this will enhance meaningful civil rights enforcement for all our citizens regardless of race, creed, color or national origin.

Thank you for communicating with the Attorney General.

Sincerely,

Jerris Leonard

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