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Antonio Sanchez - FHA 235 Re: 311 North Houston Street Aransas Pass, Texas

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of an engineering report prepared MR. BERNARDO (BERNIE) SANDOVAL by Mr. J. C. Flanagan, Consulting Engineer for the American G I Forum in which he enumerates some very serious deficiencies which you will find in an enclosure herein.

> If these deficiencies are not corrected to our satisfaction within the next seven (7) days, I will take the following action:

- Secure affidavits from all the parties concerned.
- Notify HUD and FHA so that Mr. Martinez will not have any more applications for loan insurance approved.
- Prohibit Mr. Salazar from building or repairing any more FHA loan homes, and
- File a lawsuit through the property owners or through the G I Forum itself.

Very truly yours,

AMADOR C. GARCIA State Chairman American G I Forum

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lime-Sawer LETTER TO SAVE TIME.

Type or write your reply in the space below. Then mail the white copy to us and keep the pink copy for your files. You'll save time and effort, and we'll have your answer much faster! Thank you.

DATE March 29. 1972

Dear Mr. Garcia

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I made an inspection of the house of Antonio Sanchez and 311 North Houston in Aransas Pass as you instructed. Mr. Ruben Garza of the G. I. Forum went with me. Mr. Sanchez's neaghbors also live in houses built by the same contractor and sold by the same real estate dealer.

I also notified Mr. Allan S. Lawrence Jr. before I went out to look at the houses. I did not talk to him afterwards.

> The following things were wrong. All adresses North Houston.

13 311---- The sewer connection line was disjointed in backfilling and was never connected. due to the sand soil the watter was absorbed but solids plugged the xxmg. Never repaired.

351----Cabinet work is non-standard and does not meet F H A Minmum Property Standards.

343 The central heating system was never connected to the gas cock. No heat.

The wiring is defective although some repairs have been made. 325, 321 , 321, 343, 311, All these houses never had the lots graded . and the foundations are exposed, Water stands almost 3 feet deep in one area Almost all the houses did not have the inside plumbing finishe. after rains.

As I discussed over the phone I think that the best thing to do would be to tell Martinez and Saxaxaxx Salazar that they have 8 or ten days to get over there and satisfy the people. If they don't then tell Mr. Lawrence that we will provide expert testomony and an engineering report so that he can file a lawsuit. Probably If there exist's libility on the part of the sponsers (I have only seen what you showed me in your office) we should line up the other people and file suit. If it looks like we are going to file suit perhaps we should have this fixed and take an assignment from the people and then sue ourselves. Also we should put FHA and HUD on 11stice poxxxxxxxxx that Mr. Martinez is not to have any more of his application's for loan insurance approved and that Mr. Salazar is not to be permitted to build any more F H A finianced repairs or houses.