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You are cordially invited to be a Sponsor for a private fund raising reception for the benefit of Congressman Bob Krueger with The Honorable Walter Mondale, Vice President of the United States, who will visit Corpus Christi on Saturday, August 26, 1978.

The reception will be limited to those who wish to be sponsors and will be held at La Quinta Royale Motor Inn at 1:00 o'clock P.M. in the Buccaneer Room. If you would like to be included as a Sponsor of this event and be part of this small and private meeting with Vice President Mondale and Congressman Krueger, please mail your check or money order in the amount of \$100.00 payable to Friends of Bob Krueger Committee to the following address: P.O. Box 5245, Corpus Christi, Texas 78405 by no later than Tuesday, August 22.

A reception program and ticket will be printed reflecting the fact that you are a Sponsor, but we must receive your check no later than Thursday, August 24.

Your help and support is deeply appreciated.

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TO: PARTICIPANTS OF NATIONAL HISPANIC REPRESENTATIVE
MEETING WITH VICE PRESIDENT WALTER MONDALE ON
JULY 20, 1978

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FROM: VILMA S. MARTINEZ

DATE: SEPTEMBER 6, 1978

RE: DRAFT LETTER TO VICE PRESIDENT WALTER MONDALE
REGARDING MEETING OF JULY 20, 1978

Enclosed is a draft of a letter to Vice President Walter Mondale regarding the matters discussed at our meeting of July 20, 1978.

I would appreciate it if you would review this draft and forward your comments to me as soon as possible. It would be helpful if you would forward your comments in written form. However, since time is of the essence in sending this letter to Vice President Mondale, you may wish to phone your comments to me or to my assistant, Dora Jina, at our San Francisco office (415) 981-5800.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

VSM:cp

Enclosures: Draft of letter to Vice President Mondale,
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September 6, 1978

Honorable Walter Mondale
Vice President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Vice President Mondale,

We enjoyed the opportunity to meet with you on July 20 to discuss a variety of issues of concern to us. As you know, we look forward to receiving a written response to the requests and recommendations that we made at that meeting and we also look forward to your designating an Hispanic person to serve as liaison between our groups and your office.

As you know, we discussed the following issues:

1. Appointment of Hispanics at all policy-making levels:

Discussion: We are interested in Hispanic appointees to the following positions:

- A. EEOC Commissioner
- B. FCC Commissioner
- C. Staff Director and Commissioner for the United States Commission on Civil Rights

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D. National Science Foundation Board

E. Director of the Office of Bilingual Education

More generally, we expressed our interest in seeing Hispanic representation on the various advisory commissions to the federal Cabinet persons as well as our interest in seeing the next Cabinet appointment, be it the Department of Education or Treasury, go to an Hispanic.

Request: Please advise us which, if any, of the above appointments have been made.

2. Inclusion of Hispanics in Government Minority Programs.

We also expressed our interest in having the term "minority" cover not only Black Americans, but also Hispanic Americans in the following programs:

A. CETA Monies

B. Youth Unemployment Monies

(This is particularly important as the median age of Hispanics is 10 years below the national average and the unemployment rate in the Puerto Rican youth community is higher than that for Black youths.

C. Economic Development Monies

Request: Please have your staff prepare and share with us in advance of our next meeting, an analysis of the budgets

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of the above-mentioned programs, which will pinpoint what share of the monies is benefitting Hispanics and where these programs are located.

3. Activation of Hispanic Spanish Speaking Program.

The Hispanic Spanish speaking program has been de-emphasized and we urged you to take whatever efforts are necessary to change this.

Request: (Bud Luna, please fill in.)

4. Police Brutality Against Hispanics.

On the issue of police brutality against Hispanics, we urged you (apparently unsuccessfully) to undertake whatever efforts you could to make sure that the murderer of Santos Rodriguez was prosecuted before the statute of limitations expired on July 24, 1978. Our remaining recommendation in this area was that you take steps to persuade President Carter to convene a White House Conference on Domestic Human Rights.

Request: Please advise if you have attempted to persuade the President to convene the Conference and what his response is. Also, please try to secure a Presidential response to MALDEF's letter of May 31, 1978 on behalf of Chicano organizations dealing with the issue of police brutality.

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5. Data Collection of Hispanics in the 1980 Census.

We discussed our concerns that there are not adequate and timely unemployment statistics for Hispanics and we urged you to take whatever steps are necessary to change this. Further, as you know, Hispanics were both misclassified and underenumerated in the 1970 Census. Some of us have been serving on an Advisory Committee to the Census Bureau and many recommendations have been made for the 1980 Census, but few are being implemented. One vitally important recommendation is that the Spanish-origin question be placed on the 100% form rather than on a sample form. We are told that one of the reasons for the lack of data on the Hispanic population, which will soon be the largest minority group in this country, is that there has been no information collected on this group on the 100% census form.

6. Administration's Proposals regarding Undocumented Workers.

Discussion: We reiterated our opposition to President Carter's proposals to deal with this issue. Specifically, we oppose the employer sanctions proposal and the concept of a five-year work permit. We favor a liberal and true adjustment of status program.

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7. Bilingual Education Program.

We urged you to take whatever steps you could to have the funds that are now frozen because of some problems in Chicago "unfrozen". More generally, we expressed our support for bilingual education and encouraged you to take whatever steps you could to ensure that adequate funding is available for these important programs for our children.

8. Bakke Case.

We also discussed the Bakke case and the opportunity it provides the federal government to undertake vigorous affirmative action to ensure proper representation of Hispanics in all governmental programs.

9. Employment Issues

We requested your assistance in securing appointments with the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of the Department of Labor for those of us involved with employment issues. You indicated you would be glad to arrange an appointment with Secretary Marshall.

We are encouraged by your interest in meeting with us every two months and by your support for bilingual education and agreement that the Bakke decision does indeed certify the legitimacy of affirmative action programs. At

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this point, we do look forward to a written response to the above-stated requests and to your designation of an Hispanic person as liaison and the proposal of a date for our next meeting.

Atentamente,

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VSM: cp

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with Vice President Walter Mondale on July 20, 1978

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