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Dr. Hector P. Garcia, Founder
American G.I. Forum of the U.S.
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Dr. Hector,

As promised, I want to give you an idea of some of the activities that have resulted from our telephone conversation a few days ago regarding the incident in Corpus Christi between you and the local school board.

I have been in contact with Tony Gallegos, our national chairman; Rudy Ramos, our local chairman of the Forum; Pete Villa, national LULAC; Ed Pena, national vice chairman of LULAC, and with Paul Montemayor, temporary chairman of RASSA, and have explained to each of them the situation as it now exists there in Corpus Christi. The telegrams that have already been sent are included in this letter. Villa and Pena promised to send a telegram on behalf of the LULAC organization, and it should have been received by Marland by the time this message gets to you.

I have also communicated with U.S. Assistant Attorney General's office on Civil Rights, a David Norman, and have requested a meeting for next tuesday with representatives from the Forum, LULAC's and RASSA. I have not had confirmation from his office for the meeting, but I fully expect that he will meet with us. Our committee should coordinate our activites with you, and we will be in touch by telephone with you before next tuesday. Also, I have related your situation to the Chicano groups in Austin, Texas, and fully expect them to react in support of you.

Sincerely,

Santo J. Ruiz