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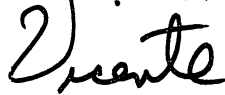
Dear Don:

Attached is copy of letter you may have received from Senator Gary Hart. The President's action is most discouraging in view of our leadership in the field of education.

I cannot understand why the President would leave us out of a directive to assist the higher education needs of the Blacks. I feel like giving up on our so called liberal friends and going over to the conservatives even though we cannot expect much from them either.

We probably have the longest and best record of leadership in education than any organization anywhere in the country. Yet the President ignores us when the time comes to issue a policy that could implement the very recommendation we made. I am not sure what action to take, but I suggest that officers of the GI Forum map out a strategy to react to the President's directive.

Sincerely,



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