

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
DALLAS REGIONAL OFFICE
MAIN POST OFFICE BUILDING
DALLAS, TEXAS ~~75201~~ 75221

July 1, 1966

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Dr. Hector P. Garcia
President, G. I. Forum
3024 Morgan Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

This refers to the various aspects of the postal service at Bishop, Texas, which have given rise to complaints of discrimination from Latin American citizens of that community, a specific complaint filed by Mr. Humberto S. Gonzalez, a city letter carrier at Bishop, Texas, and conferences in this connection between you, Departmental and Regional officials. I fully appreciate your interest in the matter and your efforts in seeking equal treatment and service to all citizens, not only at Bishop, but in other areas as well.

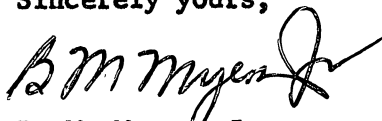
From consideration of tradition and historical practices throughout the area of the Bishop community, I concluded that in the best overall interest of the promotion of the Equal Employment Opportunity program, some service and personnel changes should be made. Accordingly, the following steps have been taken:

1. Foot delivery service has been established in lieu of the mounted delivery to Mexican-American patrons.
2. A regular carrier route has been established.
3. A regular carrier position has been authorized.
4. Mr. Gonzalez, the senior sub-carrier, has been reassigned to the regular position.
5. A young Latin-American student has been given an appointment as a seasonal assistant in the Bishop, Texas Post Office.
6. So that I could be assured of the total satisfactory conclusion of Mr. Gonzalez' complaint, the Special Assistant for Employee Relations visited the Bishop office on June 21. He found Mr. Gonzalez completely satisfied as evidenced by the attached copy of a statement he made on that date. The postmaster

was consulted, and it has been reported to me that he is conscious of, and dedicated to, his responsibilities for total compliance with the intent of the Equal Employment Opportunity act. I feel that he will make every effort to maintain the satisfactory relationships that now exist.

I am pleased to advise you of this action and assure you that wherever and whenever it is indicated in the postal service that the intent or spirit of Executive Order 11246 is being violated, I shall take steps necessary for correction within this Region.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B M Myers Jr", with a stylized flourish at the end.

B. M. Myers, Jr.
Regional Director
Deputy Equal Employment
Opportunity Officer

Enclosure