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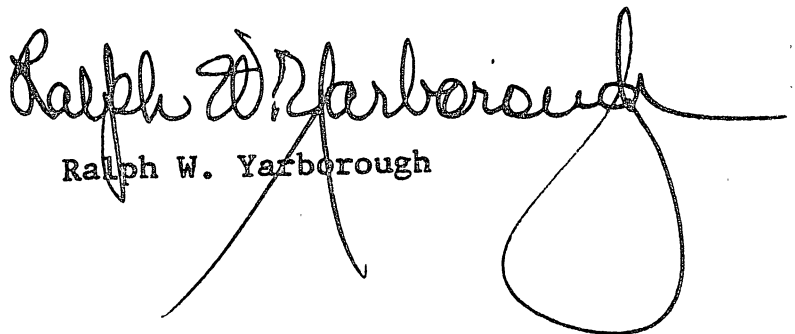
460 Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510
June 10, 1966

Dr. Hector Garcia
1315 Bright
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Hector:

This letter by William D. Bonilla with its free slandering of Dr. George I. Sanchez is the most incredible letter I ever read. In my opinion, William D. Bonilla had not done enough to entitle him to tie the shoes of Dr. George I. Sanchez, and I can account for this ungrateful slander of all of Dr. Sanchez's great work, only by reason of the fact that William D. Bonilla was defeated in the recent Democratic primary in Corpus Christi. It hurts me to see this great American, Dr. George I. Sanchez, slandered in such an incredible manner, when Dr. Sanchez is turning out scholarly work and shows great intellectual acumen, courage, and leadership at this time.

Sincerely your friend,


Ralph W. Yarborough

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LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN AMERICAN CITIZENS

June 7, 1966

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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I am in receipt of a letter from U. S. Senator Ralph Yarborough, Senior Senator from the State of Texas, dated May 14, 1966. In this particular letter Senator Yarborough recommends Dr. George I. Sanchez, a professor from the University of Texas, to fill the vacancy that resulted when the Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. resigned from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

I cannot go along with Senator Yarborough in recommending Dr. George I. Sanchez to fill the particular vacancy in question.

I was National President of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) for the year 1964-65 and I am now the Immediate Past National President of LULAC. I was State Chairman of the LULACS for the State of Texas for two and one half years beginning in 1961. The only time I saw Dr. George I. Sanchez at any State or National gathering involving Americans of Mexican descent was in 1962 when PASO had a State Convention in San Antonio, Texas. Since that time I have not seen Dr. George I. Sanchez and I have been all over the United States and I have attended several meetings in Washington.

There are many other distinguished Americans of Mexican descent in Texas, Arizona, Colorado and particularly the State of California that have extremely qualified individuals to serve as a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

I would like to further point out that Dr. George I. Sanchez has been ill and is unfortunately almost senile.

The President, Washington, D.C.

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There is no question but that at one time Dr. George I. Sanchez was, and possibly still may be, a very intellectual individual. However, to serve as a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, I believe it takes an individual that is still considerably a young individual and that has a tremendous amount of energy and vigor.

Without any question, I reluctantly disagree with Senator Yarborough and do not recommend Dr. George I. Sanchez from the University of Texas.

With kindest regards,

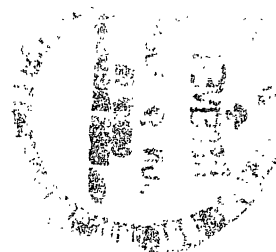
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William D. Bonilla
P.O. Box 907
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Mr. Bonilla:

I am amazed and shocked at the untruthful and slanderous letter that you wrote to the President about me. I am puzzled as to your motivation, for not only have I not had any disagreement with you, or been associated with you in any way, but you know virtually nothing about me. In addition, by implication, you presume to speak for LULAC -- a spokesmanship that no one has assigned to you.

I do not need to describe or to justify my participation in civic affairs to you. You do not have the stature to merit such attention.

If the purpose of your letter was to bring yourself to the attention of the President, you may have done so -- to your own detriment. Certainly, libeling your betters is the worst sort of procedure in getting attention from intelligent, responsible officials.

Sincerely your,



George I. Sánchez
Professor of Latin American
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Past National President of
LULAC
Etc., etc.

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