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Mr. Marvin Townsend, City Manager

Mr. Amador Garcia, Assistant City Attorney

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Memorandum of call from Dr. Hector P. Garcia concerning complaint by Mr. Sabas Gonzales alleging violation of his civil rights.

At approximately 12:30 P.M., March 24, 1969, Dr. Hector P. Garcia called me in reference to a complaint brought to his attention by one Mr. Sabas Gonzales, a citizen of the United States, Texas, and resident of Corpus Christi. According to Dr. Garcia, Mr. Gonzales applied for a position as a pumper offered by the Public Works Department, City of Corpus Christi. The job was given to a Mr. Garland Barmore. Mr. Gonzales was told by Mr. McDaniel of Public Works, that he did not get the position because he suffered from hypertension. Mr. Gonzales denies that he suffers from this, and Dr. Garcia would offer to confirm this fact too. In this respect, Mr. Gonzales feels that his civil rights have been violated and he sought Dr. Garcia's help and assistance in this matter.

Dr. Garcia emphasized that he is acting purely as a private citizen and not as a Commissioner of the Civil Rights Commission, but he did feel that perhaps there was a need for an explanation and investigation into the practices of the Civil Service Commission. He further requested that Mr. Barmore's appointment not be confirmed until he has had an opportunity to see you.

Dr. Garcia stated that normally he would bring this matter to your attention directly, but he was leaving for Washington, D.C. at 2:15 this date, and this was not possible. Dr. Garcia will return by Thursday at which time he will seek an appointment with you to discuss this matter in greater detail.

Amador Garcia
Assistant City Attorney

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