

Select Commission on Immigration and Refugee Policy

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Dr. Hector Garcia 1315 Bright Corpus Christi, Texas 78405

Dear Dr. Garcia:

The fourth regional hearing scheduled by the Select Commission on Immigration and Refugee Policy will be held in San Antonio, Texas, on Monday, December 17, 1979, at the Centro de Artes del Mercado (Market Square Art Center), 514 W. Commerce. The general focus of this hearing will be "Undocumented or Illegal Alien Impacts on American Economy and Society."

The Commission would very much like you to testify the afternoon of December 17th on the desirability of legalization of the status of undocumented or illegal aliens including how and whether these persons should be here as intending citizens, temporary workers or on other bases. Would you stress in your oral testimony the type of program you favor and why? On what do you think the success of such a program would depend? What impact would this have on those foreign nationals who have immigrant petitions pending?

The Select Commission, established by Congress "to study and evaluate existing laws, policies and procedures governing the admission of immigrants and refugees to the United States", will report its findings and recommendations to the President and the Congress by December 1980. We, therefore, hope that your testimony will consider policy implications for the Congress and the Executive Branch.

The Commission requires all witnesses to submit a written statement of their testimony which will be included in the hearing record along with any additional brief material you may suggest. Forty copies of the prepared statement and one copy of a brief personal resume must be sent to this address so as to arrive by Wednesday, December 12th. We would greatly appeciate all efforts to meet this deadline as it is imperative for Commissioners to be able to review the testimony in advance and prepare questions for witnesses.

At the hearing itself, you will be asked to make a 9 minute informal statement summarizing written testimony. Commissioners may address questions to witnesses before, during and after that statement.

If you have any questions regarding this invitation, please contact Mr. Harry Matthews at (202) 395-5615. I am confident your testimony will

make a valuable contribution to the work of the Select Commission, and I am looking forward to your appearance.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Fuch's Executive Director

Enclosure