



DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

August 13, 1964

Dear Dr. Garcia:

It was very thoughtful of you to have written concerning my attendance at the National Convention in San Antonio of the American GI Forum. It was of course a great privilege for me to meet such a dedicated group of Americans who subscribe, as I do, to the old saying that "God helps those who help themselves". It would give me a great deal of pleasure to see you when you next come to Washington. I salute you for the wonderful work you have done and are doing to further strengthen this great country of ours.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank V. Ortiz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Frank V. Ortiz  
Officer in Charge  
Spanish Affairs

Hector P. Garcia, M.D.,  
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BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH  
FRANK V. ORTIZ, JR.

Mr. Ortiz is a career Foreign Service Officer. He was born in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and is 38 years old. Mr. Ortiz was graduated from Georgetown University where he majored in Foreign Service. He has also studied at the University of New Mexico, the University of Madrid, and the American University of Beirut. Before joining the State Department he was a liaison officer with the U.S. Senate. In 1944 he enlisted in the Army Air Force and participated in the air offensive against Japan. He entered the Foreign Service in 1951. He has served as Assistant Desk Officer for Egypt, Third Secretary in Ethiopia, and has had two assignments to the American Embassy in Mexico City. In Mexico he served as Special Assistant to the American Ambassador and in this capacity helped negotiate a settlement of the Chamizal dispute between the United States and Mexico. Mr. Ortiz has also worked as a Special Assistant in the Office of the Under Secretary of State. Mr. Ortiz received an honor award in 1953 and the Superior Service Award in 1964. He is presently assigned to the State Department where he is Officer in Charge of Spanish Affairs.