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Honorable E. (Kika) de la Garza
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. de la Garza:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter of 11 July to Governor Connally regarding vacancies on local selective service boards.

I am very happy to report to you that we are doing everything we can to bring to the attention of the chairmen of the local boards in the areas where vacancies are occurring and where there is a substantial proportion of Latin American registrants the need to have a balanced board of all segments of our population.

We have 46 Mexican Americans on the boards now and I am hopeful of increasing this figure. Most of the boards where we are losing members because they have been "on board" for 25 years or have reached the age of 75 happen to be in areas where there are few registrants of the minority groups; but you can rest assured that we will do what is indicated.

With every good wish,

Sincerely yours,

MORRIS S. SCHWARTZ
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State Director