

*Miss Russell
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28 September
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FAHY

SUBJECT: Minutes and Synopses of the Gillem Board Report

The attached letter deals with the matter about which I spoke to you yesterday afternoon on the 'phone. It is scarcely conceivable that any material would be withheld, since we have a list of the 69 witnesses who appeared before the Board, and also a statement from General Warnock that the minutes and synopses ran to about 130 pages. Also enclosed is a letter to General Collins for your signature, if you think it wise, thanking him for his efforts in securing a copy.

E. W. Kenworthy
Executive Secretary



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Dear General Collins:

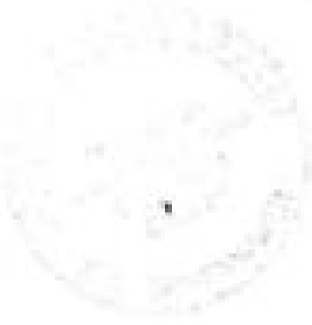
This will acknowledge your letter of 27 September in reply to my letter of 7 September, requesting a copy of the minutes and synopses of the testimony of the Gillem Board. I wish to thank you for your efforts in securing from Brigadier General Aln D. Warnock, recorder of the Gillem Board, one of the five copies which we understand from both General Warnock and Captain Pease, assistant recorder, were made at the time.

According to General Warnock's recollection, the synopses ran to about 130 pages. Inasmuch as most of the 69 witnesses who appeared before the Board were men who had close knowledge of the subject, I should expect the Committee would find their testimony of considerable value.

Sincerely yours,

Charles Fahy
Chairman

General J. Lawton Collins
Chief of Staff
United States Army
Washington 25, D. C.



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Mr. Charles Fahy, Chairman
The President's Committee on Equality
of Treatment and Opportunity in
the Armed Services
Room 3C 874, The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Fahy:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 7 September 1949 in which you request a copy of the minutes of the meetings and synopses of the testimony taken by the Gillem Board.

A search of the Department of the Army files fails to disclose any such minutes or synopses of testimony, formal or informal. Further, in a recent telephone conversation, General Gillem stated that he did not recall the submission of any material other than the formal report. This report is filed with The Adjutant General, and, as you know, Mr. Kenworthy has had access to it on several occasions.

Brigadier General Warnock, upon query by telephone on 13 September, indicated that he might still have in his personal papers some material which he secured while acting as a member of the Gillem Board. He has been requested to forward to the Department of the Army any notes bearing on the minutes or synopses of testimony which he may still have in his possession. Any pertinent data will be forwarded to you.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. LAWTON COLLINS

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