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Washington

March 1, 1950

Dear General Burns:

Regarding your letter of February 13, 1950, the Department of State has no objection to the continued presence of replacement of Negro personnel or of Negro or non-segregated units in the areas specified in your letter or in any other foreign areas where Negro personnel are now stationed. As you know, the Department of State wishes to support in every way the policy of providing equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the Armed Services without regard to race, color, religion or national origin.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Dean Rusk

Dean Rusk

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