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Dear Mr. Brown:

I have your letter of April 11th, addressed to the President.

No doubt you know that the Winstead Amendment was defeated on the floor of the House last week.

The President's views on discrimination have not changed and will not change, since they flow from the duties placed upon him by the Constitution, as well as from his personal sense of justice and fair play.

Cordially,

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Mr. Harry S. Truman,  
President of the United States  
White House  
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Truman,

Representative Jacob Jarvits of New York will introduce an amendment to the draft bill to abolish segregation and discrimination in the armed forces of the United States of America and I am hoping that you sir, will use all of your power to defeat the Winstead amendment and bring about the passage of this the Jarvits amendment.

Sir, we have not hear from you lately on how you stand on discrimination in the armed forces or whether you support the Winstead amendment or not--could we hear from you?

Yours very respectfully,

*Leonard Brown, Jr.*

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