

July 30, 1948

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My dear Miss Davis:

Your letter of July twenty-sixth has been received, and I wish to assure you that your interest in writing is appreciated.

For your information and ready reference, I am enclosing a copy of an Executive Order which was issued by the President on July twenty-sixth.

Very sincerely yours,

MATTHEW J. CONNELLY
Secretary to the President

Miss Esther Davis,
Woman's American Baptist Home
Mission Society,
19 South La Salle Street,
Chicago 3, Illinois.



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President Harry S. Truman
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

May I add my plea
to the many others that
you are receiving - that
you make an immediate
Executive Order prohibiting
racial segregation in the armed
forces. We surely trust you
to do this before the draft machinery
is set up on August 16.

You have the precedent of
President Roosevelt's Executive
Order on Fair Employment during
the war. This is one of the greatest
ways to let the world know that you
are sincere in wanting full civil
rights for every citizen.
Yours truly, Miss Esther Davis