

September 2, 1948

Dear Ken:

In accordance with our telephone conversation, I am attaching a suggested addition to the report entitled "The Negro in the Army". We feel here that it is most important that reference be made to Executive Order No. 9981, and we submit the attached with the suggestion that it be included in the foreword.

Very sincerely yours,



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F O R E W O R D

On July 26, 1948, the President issued Executive Order No. 9981 establishing the President's Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Services. In connection with the issuance of this Order, the Office of the Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army feels that this is the time to summarize the policies and practices adopted by the War Department and the Department of the Army during the past few years with respect to Negro manpower.

The Department has been engaged in a continuous study of this problem for several years. With its objective, the most effective utilization of Negro manpower, the Department has developed extensive administrative and educational programs which are summarized in this report. Their degree of effectiveness may best be judged by the utilization of Negro manpower within the Department, which is summarized from the latest available figures. It is our hope that this material will be helpful to the President's Committee in its search for ways and means to implement the policies set forth in the Executive Order.

In addition, the enactment of the Selective Service Act of 1948 calling for . . . . .

