

THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EQUALITY
OF TREATMENT AND OPPORTUNITY
IN THE ARMED SERVICES



Pentagon: Room 2E 646

21 March 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FAHY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Questions Submitted by Mr. Fahy for the Meeting with the Service Secretaries on March 28.

Mr. Fahy has submitted the following questions:--

1. Does the Gillem Board Report, in the estimation of the Secretaries, envisage the eventual elimination of segregation?
2. What construction do the Secretaries place upon the language of the President's Executive Order 9981?
3. Do the Secretaries believe that there must be a unified policy on utilization of Negro manpower for all three services?
4. Inasmuch as the Personnel Policy Board has been set up by the Secretary of Defense to prepare policy for all three services, should not the Fahy Committee hear what the thinking of the PPB is on future policy for Negro manpower?
5. Do the Secretaries have any suggestions for administering a new policy? Are they of the opinion that a continuing organization should be created within the Defense Department to check on the implementation of policy?
6. For Secretary Royall: Have Generals Clay and MacArthur reported on their policy and practice as requested by Secretary Royall?

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