WE MOST URGENTLY REQUEST THAT YOU APPOINT A NON-PARTISAN COMMISSION OF OUTSTANDING CITIZENS TO INVESTIGATE ALL PHASES OF THE LOYALTY ISSUE IN THE EARNEST HOPE THAT IT WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE AREA OF POLITICAL DEBATE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS CAMPAIGN.

AS YOU KNOW THE LEADERSHIP OF AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION INCLUDES THE OUTSTANDING NON-COMMUNISTS IN THE LIBERAL AND LABOR MOVEMENT. WE SHALL CONTINUE OUR UNRELENTING BATTLE AGAINST THE COMMUNISTS AND ANY OTHERS WHO THREATEN NATIONAL SECURITY OR PERSONAL FREEDOM.

WE RECOGNIZE HOWEVER, THAT WE ARE NOW CONFRONTED WITH A DELICATE AND COMPLICATED PROBLEM AFFECTING CIVIL LIBERTIES. RECENT EVENTS DEMONSTRATE THAT ANTI-COMMUNISM FREQUENTLY CLOAKS SHOCKING INVASIONS OF PERSONAL RIGHTS. REPUBLICAN-CONTROLLED COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS HAVE EMPLOYED THIS DISGUISE; VIOLATED BASIC AMERICAN CONCEPTS OF FAIR PLAY AND PERFECTED THEIR SMEAR-AND-RUN TECHNIQUE FOR POLITICAL USE.

OVER WIDESPREAD REPORTS THAT PEOPLE HIGH IN THE ADMINISTRATION ARE YIELDING TO THESE UN-AMERICAN COMMITTEES, IN CONTRAST TO YOUR FORTHRIGHT STATEMENTS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ARE SAID.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE.
TO BE CRACKING DOWN ON INNOCENT PEOPLE. THE EVIDENCE IS TOO CONVINCING TO BE DISMISSED. /#

THE LOYALTY PROGRAM IS RAPIDLY DETERIORATING. LOYALTY BOARDS RULE AGAINST THOSE WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN DECLARED INNOCENT ONLY A FEW MONTHS AGO. OTHERS ARE SUSPENDED WHERE THEIR PAST OR PRESENT ACTIVITIES PRESENT NO POSSIBLE THREAT TO NATIONAL SECURITY.

THE E.C.A BARS FROM EMPLOYMENT THOSE WHO EVER HELD MEMBERSHIP IN ANY ORGANIZATION APPEARING ON THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S "SUBVERSIVE" LIST DESPITE OFFICIAL PRONOUNCEMENTS THAT THE LIST WOULD NOT BE SO USED.

THE REPUBLICAN EXTREMISTS CANNOT BE APPEASED. WE URGED YOU TO ANSWER THEM WITH THE FORTHRIGHT ASSURANCE THAT THE LIBERTIES OF ALL CITIZENS MUST AND WILL BE PROTECTED. WE FURTHER URGED THE APPOINTMENT OF A COMMISSION COMPOSED OF SUCH MEN AS BERNARD BARUCH, OWEN J. ROBERTS, JOHN LORD O'BRIEN, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, CHARLES EVANS HUGHES, JR., JAMES B. CONANT, KARL COMPTON AND OTHERS WHO WILL INVESTIGATE EVERY PHASE OF LOYALTY. CONGRESS, THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND THE PUBLIC WILL THEN HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE, NON-PARTISAN GUIDE ON THIS CRITICAL QUESTION.
WE URGE YOU MEANWHILE TO MAKE CLEAR TO ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS THAT POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS MUST HAVE NO PART IN THE GRAVE BUSINESS OF DETERMINING A MAN’S LOYALTY TO HIS COUNTY.

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