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April 6, 1960

Dear Senator Eastland:

On behalf of the President, I am pleased to acknowledge your March 31st letter transmitting a letter addressed to the President by Mr. D. L. Atkison. For your information, I enclose a copy of the reply which was sent to him yesterday.

Kind regards,

Sincerely,

Edward A. McCabe
Administrative Assistant to the President

The Honorable James O. Eastland
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.
Dear Mr. Atkison:

The President has asked me to acknowledge your letter to him, transmitted through your Senator Eastland.

He wishes you to know that your interest in writing is sincerely appreciated and that your comments and enclosure are carefully noted.

You may be sure the President does everything possible to keep America safe in its democracy. We all realize the dangers involved, but it is the first duty of the President to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States.

President Eisenhower greatly deplores any instance of man's inhumanity to man, and, as you know, is highly dedicated to the mission of peace for our nation and for its standing in the world of nations.

Patient, persistent work toward goals which we know to be right will make our society a better one in which to live.

Sincerely,

E. Frederic Morrow
Administrative Officer
Special Projects Group

Mr. D. L. Atkison
Post Office Box 163
Indianola, Mississippi

cc: The Honorable James O. Eastland
United States Senator
March 31, 1960

Dear Mr. President:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which Mr. D. L. Atkison of Indianola, Mississippi, has asked me to transmit to you.

The letter is self-explanatory.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

U. S. S.

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.
March 31, 1960

Mr. D. L. Atkison  
P. O. Box 163  
Indianola, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Atkison:

I will be very happy to transmit to The President your letter dated March 25, and as soon as I hear from him, I will advise you further.

I think it is a very nice letter and I see nothing wrong with it at all, so it is a pleasure for me to comply with your request.

With personal regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

U. S. S.

JEO:PD
March 25, 1960

Honorable James O. Eastland
United States Senator
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed with the note of thanks herein, I have submitted a copy of a letter that I wrote to President Eisenhower, since you are being asked for a favor.

It is very unlikely that the president would ever get this letter if it were sent direct by mail to him. If it is at all possible, will you see that he does get it? There is only the letter of which you have a copy and the tract of which you are familiar, The Ugly Truth About The NAACP.

If you can find the time I would appreciate any comments good or bad concerning this letter. If you think the letter is not in good taste or too strong, I will leave it at your disposal since your advice would be welcome. Thank you again.

Yours truly,

D.L. Atkinson

P.S. Instead of sending you a copy, I have left the letter open for your inspection. Please seal the envelope before transferring it to destination.