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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

The mounting problems developing in the cotton segment of the American economy are a source of great concern. This situation has been further complicated by the introduction of H. R. 9414, to amend the cotton provisions of the Agricultural Act of 1938.

After thorough study of H. R. 9414, cotton producers are convinced that it would do irreparable harm throughout production areas in this country. The growers assure us they are developing proposals for modifying cotton programs to make it less costly and to broaden our markets for cotton both here and abroad.

We bring this to your attention since it is approaching a crisis stage and should be resolved in ways that our vigorous
cotton industry would continue its contributions towards added growth and stability in the whole of the economy.

Respectfully yours,