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Dear Mr. Peet:

I appreciated very much the telegram you sent me concerning maintenance of law and order in Little Rock. — It is heartening to know of the approval that you and your associates in the California-Nevada Conference have expressed regarding the decision I necessarily had to make.

Sincerely,

(Sad.) Dwight D. Eisenhower

Reverend Edward L. Peet
782 - 53rd Street
Sacramento, California



The White House Washington

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS

OF THE CALIFORNIA-NEVADA CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST . 

CHURCH WE COMMEND YOUR ACTION IN MEETING THE CHALLENGE

TO LAW AND ORDER IN LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS WE REJOICE IN THE

SALUTARY EFFECT OF THIS ACTION SO QUICKLY REGISTERED

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### PERSONAL

Dear Governor Daniel:

I am sorry to see that your September twenty-fourth telegram wholly misses the point in respect to the mission of Federal soldiers in Little Rock. They are not there to enforce desegregation; they are there to support our Federal Court System; to uphold the law which the State has blocked and which the local community has been unable to uphold lacking State support.

No one is more determined than I am to get Federal troops out of Little Rock at the earliest date consistent with respect for the law. To remove them before then, however, would be to acquiesce in anarchy and, ultimately, the dissolution of the Federal Union.

Sincerely.

... GHT D. EISENHOWER

The Honorable Price Daniel

Governor of Texas Austin

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(DANIEL-TROOPS)

AUSTIN, TEX.—GOV. PRICE DANIEL TOLD PRESIDENT EISENHOWER HIS ORDER
TO USE FEDERAL FORCES AT LITTLE ROCK WAS "REMINISCENT OF THE TACTICS
OF RECONSTRUCTION DAYS." DANIEL ASKED IF HE INTENDS TO "OCCUPY WITH
TROOPS EVERY NON-INTEGRATED SCHOOL IN THE SOUTH."

IN A TELEGRAM TO THE PRESIDENT, DANIEL SAID HE WAS "SHOCKED" BY
EISENHOWER'S ORDER FEDERALIZING THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD AND
AUTHORIZING USE OF REGULAR TROOPS IN THE LITTLE ROCK INTEGRATION
CONTROVERSY.

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THE GOVERNOR SAID THAT "FEDERAL FORCE, TROOPS, GUNS AND BAYONETS ARE REMINISCENT OF THE TACTICS OF RECONSTRUCTION DAYS WHICH EVEN PRESIDENT LINCOLN OPPOSED."

"DOES THIS MEAN," DANIEL DEMANDED, "YOU WILL OCCPY WITH TROPS EVERY NON-INTEGRATED SCHOOL IN THE SOUTH?"

"IF SO, YOUR ACTION WILL DESTROY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS AND GOOD-WILL AMONG THE RACES WHICH MOST OF US IN THE SOUTH HAVE LABORED SO HARD TO PRESERVE," THE GOVERNOR SAID.

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

IN VIEW OF YOUR NUMEROUS PREVIOUS STATEMENTS AGAINST
THE USE OF FORCE AND FEDERAL TROOPS IN INTEGRATION
CONTROVERSIES AND YOUR REQUESTS FOR CONGRESSIONAL
APPROVAL BEFORE USING TROOPS EVEN IN FOREIGN LANDS, I
AM SHOCKED AT YOUR ACTION IN ARKANSAS.

MR PRESIDENT, FEDERAL FORCE, TROOPS, GUNS AND BAYONETS

ARE REMINISCENT OF THE TACTICS OF RECONSTRUCTION DAYS
WHICH EVEN PRESIDENT LINCOLN OPPOSED. IT WAS NOT UNTIL
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THIS PROBLEM AND I KNOW OF NO ONE WHO HAS ADVOCATED A SOLUTION BY FORCE OF ARMS. I RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT YOU RECONSIDER YOUR ACTION IN THE LIGHT OF YOUR PREVIOUS ADVOCACY OF PATIENCE AND GOOD WILL

PRICE DANIEL GOVERNOR OF TEXAS.

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October 3, 1957

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Dear Miss Pettus:

Mrs. Whitman showed me your nice letter of September twenty-seventh. I am particularly grateful for your approval of the necessary decision in the Little Rock situation, difficult as it was.

Thank you also for telling me that there are many understanding citizens in the South.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Sgd.) Dwight D. Eisenhower

Miss Winifred Pettus
1671 Cornell Road, N. E.
Atlanta 6
Georgia

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1671 Cornell Road, N. E. Atlanta 6, Georgia September 27, 1957

Miss Ann C. Whitman Personal Secretary to The President

Dear Miss Whitman:

I remember you very kindly because of the two nice letters
I received from you in behalf of the President, regarding books
sent to him while he was in Thomasville, Georgia. (I am a typist
in the Internal Revenue Service, located at 275 Peachtree Street, 2-27-57
N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.)

First, I want to say that I am a Southerner, born and bred in Atlanta, Georgia, and I feel that I have the right to criticize my fellow-Southerners. Our Church people here thoroughly approve of what the President has done about the situation in Arkansas, although a few of them believe it would have been easier if we had started with the Elementary or lower grades in the integration of schools. The little ones are more adaptable and by the time they reached the High Schools, would be taking it in their stride!

Separate schools for the two races are more expensive to keep going. We have no rebels in the South any more, but quite a bit of rabble, all colors! And how they love a big fight- just like the Irish! However, that does not excuse our Governors and Congressmen who seem to fear the mobs so much that they are even willing to block progress in the South by keeping about half of the population uneducated and back-woodsy. If they would only see reason and realize that our President has only the good of the whole Country at heart in his endeavor to create a fair share of learning in the Southern States, so that we may keep pace with the rest of the United States, everyone here would be so happy!

Sincerely

Minifred Tettus
(Miss) Winifred Pettus

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#### **PERSONAL**

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Thank you for your letter in behalf of the National Baptist Convention concerning
Little Rock. I appreciate your comments on the necessities of the situation in which I had to act.

Sincerely,

MIGHT D. EISENHOWE.

Mr. J. H. Jackson

President

National Baptist Convention, Inc.

3101 South Parkway
Chicago 16, Illinois

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# National Baptist Convention, H. S. A., Inc. THE WHITE HOUSE

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J H. JACKSON, A.M., B.D., D.D. PRESIDENT

September 25, 1957

President Dwight D. Eisenhower The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear President Eisenhower:

We regret very much the conditions which have occasioned your calling out Federal Troops to handle the situation in Little Rock, Arkansas, but we wholeheartedly support your actions.

We are convinced that your patience and endurance and consideration have been all that anyone could expect of you. We are further convinced that your actions in sending Federal Troops was the only thing that could be done at this time to protect law and order against mob rule. As the nation's Chief Executive, you have acted in the interest of democracy, freedom, security, law and order.

In 1955 and 1956 I visited Russia, Roumania, Hungary and Yugoslavia. In these countries time and time again I was questioned regarding conditions in the United States that seemed to be contrary to the democratic philosophy and process. My answer was that these things exist because in America we believe in the freedom of the individual, and our government is patient with those who sometimes do not understand the true philosophy of our way of life. And because we do not believe in concentration camps, it seems at times, that our government is indifferent to

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President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

those who in the name of traditions act contrary to the established laws of our land. But our nation is committed to justice and to the principles of the Federal Constitution, and if at any time those who violate the high principles of our government make an attempt to establish their policies as the law of the land, the Federal Government will put an end to such, and all of the force and authority of the republic will protect and sustain the laws of the land.

This courageous act of yours will go down in history as one of the truly great decisions among the presidents of the United States, for you have shown that America believes in law and order, and that the whole nation basically, is committed to the same. You have the support of five million members of the National Baptist Convention and of every true American citizen throughout this nation.

May God bless and sustain your efforts as you lead this nation forward in the name of truth, justice and peace.

J. H. Jackson, President National Baptist Convention, Inc.

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Dear Mr. Campbell:

Thank you very much for your note of the thirtieth. I am grateful for your understanding of the difficult, but necessary, decision I had to make in the Little Rock #affair. And, of course, I am glad that you thought the telecast was effective.

Mr. Weighorst sent me the painting you noticed some — who send to find time ago. I shift the pictures in my office around occasionally, and recently we decided to try this particular one. I find it interesting and easy to live with, particular larly since I am fairly partial to scenes of the early West.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. Samuel James Campbell
Argyll Terrace
Mount Carroll
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SAMUEL JAMES CAMPBELL

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September 30, 1957

My dear Mr. President:

May I take this opportunity to compliment you on the splendid way in which you handled the Little Rock situation. I can well imagine what a difficult decision you were forced to make, but I feel certain the final outcome will be beneficial not only to Little Rock but to the entire country.

I felt that your broadcast was especially effective, and I was happy to learn from the press release that you had recently acquired a picture by my good friend Olaf Weighorst. We have four of his paintings of which we are very proud. One of them hangs in our Arizona home beside the copy of your painting which you sent me a year ago. I hope sometime you may be able to see them there.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Samuel James Campbell

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Dunbar:

Many thanks for your letter. I appreciate having your views on the situation in Little Rock.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

(Sgd.) Dwight D. Eisenhower

Mr. Carl O. Dunbar
Director
Peabody Museum of Natural History
Yale University
New Haven, Connecticut

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YALE UNIVERSITY
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September 27, 1957

President Eisenhower The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I appeal to you not to withdraw the troops from Little Rock too soon, and not to leave the families of the colored children who are attending Central High School exposed to reprisals from fanatics after the troops are withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

COD/dm

Carl O. Daubar

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October 3, 1957

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Dear Mr. Giles:

Many thanks for your letter.

It was thoughtful of you to take the time to comment so favorably on my recent address.

With best wishes,

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Sincerely,

(Sgd.) Dwight D. Eisenhower

Mr. John Warren Giles
Office of General Counsel
General Accounting Office
Washington, D. C.

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Hon. Dwight D. Eisenhower. Prendent of the autro States. White House.

Dear Mr. Prendent !

The speech of the other night on Integration, was in my opinion, one of The best constructed speeches you have

ern made, - Clear as crystal. \_\_\_ I certainly hope that all the howther will not have an adverse effect on

your health. I am Still here - writing docusions for Joe Campbell - and like it very much. With lunder wishers - and great respect -

Acucenda' Man, John Warren Giles

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Dear Mr. Hudnut:

Thank you for your nice letter.

You were very kind to express your approval of the decision that of necessity I had to make in the Little Rock situation.

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Sincerely,

(Sgd.) Dwight D. Eisenhower

Mr. Herbert B. Hudnut
651 Edison Avenue
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Dran hu. Presideno :

your Radio and Irlevision address concerning the Willo Rock situation was magnipeent. We approve wrythung that you said and the sending of Troops to quell richers and insure integration. As Mr. Bruckeris himister I have the privilege & sending this brief hots of high commendation to you, Sis. Succeely Stubrub Berchen Hudmer 142-A-5-A



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October 3, 1957.

Dear Katherine:

It was characteristically thoughtful of you to write me a note about the talk I made on the Little Rock situation. I am particularly appreciative of your prayers in this intensely disturbing affair.

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Incidentally, I had a nice note from your brother on the date of his swearing in; I believe he said it was his "first official" act.

With warm regard,

Sincerely.

Dwight D. Eisennower

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The Honorable Katherine Howard,
Deputy U.S. Commissioner General,
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Washington, D.C.

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Dear Wes. President,

That was a very frice address you made on The Lettle Rock situation.

It was clear, reasoned,

and very moving. My Thought's and prayers

are with you.

Respectfully,

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

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Thank you for your letter in reply to my telegram of September 30 urging you to withdraw Federal troops from Little Rock, Arkansas.

One of the great tragedies of the Supreme Court school desegregation decision, the resulting agitation and pressures of outsiders for racial intergration, and now the occupation of Little Rock by Federal troops is the destruction of friendly relations between Negro and White in the South, and the engendering of hatred and intolerance. The great gains of both races in recent years are lost or endangered, and can never be regained as long as Federal troops are used to enforce intergration on the South.

I again urge you to withdraw the troops as a first step toward restoring the principle of States Right, and rebuilding the confidence and goodwill between the two races so essential to the well-being of both.

Better schools and better economic conditions are among the chief needs of the South. This is particularly true as regards the Negro. If those now vying for the Negro vote really want to help the Negro, they should assist the South in providing these needs.

Sincerely,

John Sparkman

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#### Dear Senator Sparkman:

I have your telegram of September 30. one is more determined than I am to see that Federal troops leave Little Rock at the earliest possible date consistent with the maintenance of respect for law.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISTNINGWER

The Honorable John Sparkman United States Senate Washington, D. C.

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

IN THE INTERESTS OF BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO RACES IN THE SOUTH AND OF REMOVING CONFUSION FROM THE MINDS OF OUR FRIENDS ABROAD, I URGE YOU TO WITHDRAW FEDERAL TROOPS FROM LITTLE ROCK

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ORDERING FEDERAL TROOPS INTO LITTLE ROCK IS NOT IN KEEPING WITH THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM ON WHICH YOU WERE

ELECTED, NOR IS IT IN KEEPING WITH YOUR STATEMENT

DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS CONTROVERSY IN THE CONGRESSIONAL

SESSION JUST ENDED TO THE EFFECT THAT YOU WOULD NOT

USE TROOPS TO FORCE INTEGRATION ON THE SOUTH. AND

CERTAINLY IT IS CONTRARY TO THE RECENT REPEAL BY

CONGRESS OF THE HATE-THE-SOUTH RECONSTRUCTION LAW THAT

CONTAINED SUCH AUTHORITY

THERE IS ALSO RESENTMENT AND DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THE TROOPS WERE ORDERED IN SO SOON AFTER YOUR COMMAND TO CEASE AND DESIST\* THAT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

OFFICIALS WERE NOT GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO RESTORE AND PRESERVE ORDER

FEDERAL BAYONETS WILL DESTROY, NOT PROMOTE, THE GOOD WILL AND TOLERANCE WITHOUT WHICH THERE CAN BE NO UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE RACES. YOUR ACTION IN OCCUPYING LITTLE ROCK HAS BROUGHT ABOUT FURTHER DETERIORATION OF RELATIONS AND FURTHER EMBITTERMENT BETWEEN OUR NEGRO AND WHITE CITIZENS

IT IS HIGH TIME FOR THE RACIAL ISSUE TO BE TAKEN OUT OF POLITICS. THE RACE PROBLEM IS LARGELY A LOCAL

PROBLEM AND MUST BE SOLVED AT THE LOCAL LEVEL.

CORRECTIVE ACTION CAN BE INITIATED BY WITHDRAWAL OF

THE TROOPS

JOHN SPARKMAN UNITED STATES SENATOR



October 4, 1957

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Dear Mr. Stephens:

Attached are the letters about which I phoned you a few minutes ago.

We will very much appreciate your making the necessary arrangements for appropriate delivery.

Sincerely,

L. A. Minnich, Jr.
Assistant Staff Secretary

Mr. David H. Stephens
Chief Postal Inspector
Post Office Department

Room 3426

Enclosures - Nine ltrs from President 10/4/57 to parents of Negro children enrolled at Little Rock high school.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WE THE PARENTS OF NINE NEGRO CHILDREN ENROLLED AT LITTLE ROCK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT YOUR ACTION IN SAFE GUARDING THEIR RIGHTS HAVE STRENGTHENED OUR FAITH IN DEMOCRACY STOP NOW AS NEVER BEFORE WE HAVE AN AEIDING FEELING OF BELONGING AND PURPOSEFULNESS STOP WE EELIEVE THAT FREEDOM AND EQUALITY WITH WHICH ALL MEN

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October 4, 1957

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Ray:

I deeply appreciate your September thirtieth telegram, signed also by other parents. The supreme law of our land has been clearly defined by the Supreme Court. To support and defend the Constitution of the United States is my solemn oath as your President -- a pledge which imposes upon me the responsibility to see that the laws of our country are faithfully executed. I shall continue to discharge that responsibility in the interest of all Americans today, as well as to preserve our free institutions of government for the sake of Americans yet unborn.

I believe that America's heart goes out to you and your children in your present ordeal. In the course of our country's progress toward equality of opportunity, you have shown dignity and courage in circumstances which would daunt citizens of lesser faith.

With best wishes to you,

Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. H. C. Ray 2111 Cross Street Little Rock Arkansas

## PERSONAL

(Sent to Mr. David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, Room 3426, Post Office Dept., for delivery)

October 4, 1957

#### PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I deeply appreciate your September thirtieth telegram, signed also by other parents. The supreme law of our land has been clearly defined by the Supreme Court. To support and defend the Constitution of the United States is my solemn oath as your President -- a pledge which imposes upon me the responsibility to see that the laws of our country are faithfully executed. I shall continue to discharge that responsibility in the interest of all Americans today, as well as to preserve our free institutions of government for the sake of Americans yet unborn.

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Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. Ellis Thomas
1214 West 20th
Little Rock
Arkansas

# **PERSONAL**

(Sent to Mr. David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, Room 3426, Post Office Dept., for delivery)

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Dear Mr. Roberts:

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With best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. W. L. Roberts
2301 Howard Street
Little Rock
Arkansas

(Sent to Mr. David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, Room 3426, Post Office Dept., for delivery)

### PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Mothershed:

I deeply appreciate your September thirtieth telegram, signed also by other parents. The supreme law of our land has been clearly defined by the Supreme Court. To support and defend the Constitution of the United States is my solemn oath as your President -- a pledge which imposes upon me the responsibility to see that the laws of our country are faithfully executed. I shall continue to discharge that responsibility in the interest of all Americans today, as well as to preserve our free institutions of government for the sake of Americans yet unborn.

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With best wishes to you,

Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. H. L. Mothershed
1313 Chester Street
Little Rock
Arkansas

# PERSONAL

(To Mr. David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, Room 3426, Post Office Dept., for delivery)

# PERSONAL

Dear Mrs. Pattillo:

I deeply appreciate your September thirtieth telegram, signed also by other parents. The supreme law of our land has been clearly defined by the Supreme Court. To support and defend the Constitution of the United States is my solemn oath as your President -- a pledge which imposes upon me the responsibility to see that the laws of our country are faithfully executed. I shall continue to discharge that responsibility in the interest of all Americans today, as well as to preserve our free institutions of government for the sake of Americans yet unborn.

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With best wishes to you,

Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mrs. Lois M. Pattillo
ll21 Cross Street
Little Rock
Arkansas

# PERSONAL

(Sent to Mr. David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, Room 3426, Post Office Department, for delivery)

# PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Eckford:

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I believe that America's heart goes out to you and your children in your present ordeal. In the course of our country's progress toward equality of opportunity, you have shown dignity and courage in circumstances which would daunt citizens of lesser faith.

With best wishes to you,

Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. Oscar Eckford, Jr. 4405 West 18th
Little Rock
Arkansas

# PERSONAL

(Sent to Mr. David H. Stephens, Chief Postal Inspector, Room 3426, Post Office Dept., for delivery)

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Sincerely,

(Sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mrs. Juanita Walls
1500 Valentine Street
Little Rock
Arkansas

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October 4, 1957

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Dear Mr. Brown:

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Mr. W. B. Brown Ill7 Ringo Street Little Rock Arkansas

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Sincerely,

(sgd) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. Lothaire S. Green 1224 West 21st Street Little Rock Arkansas

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THE PRESIDENT -

THE WHITE HOUSE

WE THE PARENTS OF NINE NEGRO CHILDREN ENROLLED AT LITTLE ROCK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT YOUR ACTION IN SAFE GUARDING THEIR RIGHTS HAVE STRENGTHENED OUR FAITH IN DEMOCRACY STOP NOW AS NEVER BEFORE WE HAVE AN ABIDING FEELING OF BELONGING AND PURPOSEFULNESS STOP WE BELIEVE THAT FREEDOM AND EQUALITY WITH WHICH ALL MEN

ARE ENDOWED AT BIRTH CAN BE MAINTAINED ONLY THROUGH
FREEDOM AND EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY FOR SELF DEVELOPMENT
GROWTH AND PURPOSEFUL CITIZENSHIP STOP WE BELIEVE THAT
THE DEGREE TO WHICH PEOPLE EVERYWHERE REALIZE AND ACCEPT
THIS CONCEPT WILL DETERMINE IN A LARGE MEASURE AMERICAS
TRUE GROWTH AND TRUE GREATNESS STOP YOU HAVE DEMONSTRATED
ADMIRABLY TO US THE NATION AND THE WORLD HOW PROFOUNDLY
YOU BELIEVE IN THIS CONCEPT STOP FOR THIS WE ARE DEEPLY
GRATEFUL AND RESPECTFULLY EXTEND TO YOU OUR HEARTFELT
AND LASTING THANKS STOP MAY THE ALMIGHTY AND ALL WISE

FATHER OF US ALL BLESS GUIDE AND KEEP YOU ALWASY

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October 4, 1957

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Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am honored and happy to receive your tedegram which I have today read to the citizens group, and they have asked me to express their unanimous appreciation.

We are gratified with your deep concern, your patience, and your apparent understanding of our situation and its complexities. We shall continue to meet again and again in the study of this problem and exert our influence for the complete restoration of peaceful living in this great American city.

You have my personal prayers and confidence in this great responsibility.

Yours very truly,

W. M. Shepherd

President

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October 7, 1957

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Walker:

Thank you for your recent telegram which I only now have opportunity to acknowledge. As you emphasized by your comments, the decision I had to make in the Little Rock situation was virtually commanded by our form of government. That fact will, I pray, expedite a proper outcome of the matter.

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. William O. Walker
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

WE WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE HEARTILY APPROVE YOUR FORTH RIGHT ACTION IN PUTTING DOWN MOE VIOLENCE IN LITTLE ROCK IT WAS THE ONLY WAY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE COULD EE ASSURED OF THE CONTINUATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD ASSURED THAT AMERICAN DEMOCRACY DOES NOT COMPROMISE WITH LAWLESSNESS



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Dear Bishop Greene:

I want to thank you, Dr. Jernagin and Mr. McMillian for the thoughtful telegram you sent me recently on behalf of the National Fraternal Council of Churches. It was heartening to know of the Council's appreciation of the fundamental relationship between the decision that had to be made and the requirements of a free, constitutional government under law.

I am confident that as this relationship is fully understood, a proper outcome of the matter will be accomplished.

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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THE NATIONAL FRATERNAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
REPRESENTING 14 MAJOR DENOMINATIONS WITH
COMBINED MEMBERSHIP OF MORE THAN TEN MILLION
NEGROS IS EXPRESSING FULL FAITH IN YOUR ACTION
CONCERNING THE LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL SITUATION YOU
HAVE TAKEN A STAND FOR RIGHT AND RIGHTEOUSNESS UP
HOLDING THE CONSTITUATION AND LAWS OF THIS OUR
COUNTRY DISADVANTAGED PEOPLES OF THIS NATION AND
THE WORLD FEELS MORE SECURE AND UPLIFTED AND WILL
BECOME MORE RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS BECAUSE OF YOUR
FIRMNESS THIS MAY BE RELEASED FOR NEWS IF YOU SEE FIT

BISHOP S L GREENE PRES DR W H JERNAGIN CHAIRMAN

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October 7, 1957

**PERSONAL** 

Dear Mr. Randolph:

Thank you for the telegram you sent me recently containing your comments on the difficult decision necessitated by the situation in Arkansas. Happreciated your recognition of the important relationship of that action to the continued strength of our form of government under law.

Sincerely,

# DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. A. Philip Randolph
International President
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

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New York, New York

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THE PRESIDENT /

THE WHITE HOUSE

IN THE NAME OF THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE
BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS I WISH TO EXTEND
CONGRATULATIONS UPON YOUR FORTHRIGHT AND CONSTRUCTIVE
ACTION IN MAINTAINING LAW AND ORDER WITH FEDERAL TROOPS
IN LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS YOU MAY BE ASSURED THAT THIS
ACTION IS NOT ONLY IN THE INTEREST OF DEMOCRACY AND

FREEDOM IN OUR COUNTRY EUT WILL WIN AND MERIT THE GOODWILL OF THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN ASIA, AFRICA AND EUROPE

A PHILIP RANDOLPH INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT.

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October 7, 1957

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Dear Dr. Shearer:

While it is only now possible to acknowledge your recent telegram, I want to thank you for your heartening comments. I deeply appreciated your understanding of a decision for which there was, in fact, no real alternative.

Sincerely,

...GHT D. EISENHOWE ...

Dr. Richard E. Shearer
President

Alderson-Broaddus College
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

AM IN FULL SYMPATHY WITH YOUR RECENT DECISION REGARDING
THE WELFARE OF OUR STATES AND NATION YOU HAVE OUR FULL
LOYALTY AND PRAYERS

Pr RICHARD E SHEARER PRES ALDERSON EROADDUS COLLEGE.

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October 7, 1957

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Sengstacke:

While it is only now possible to tell you so, I appreciated having the telegram you sent me regarding the necessary Little Rock decision.

Maintenance of law and order is, of course, a requisite for our way of life. There was no real alternative to the action I had to take, and I hope that full understanding of that will lead to an early and satisfactory outcome of the matter.

Sincerely,

I HIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. John H. Sengstacke
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

ALL RIGHT THINKING AND DECENT AMERICAN CITIZENS HAVE

APPLAUDED YOUR RECENT DECISION TO UPHOLD THE AUTHORITY

OF THE FEDERAL COURTS

YOUR SENDING OF TROOPS INTO LITTLE ROCK TO CARRY
OUT THE MANDATE OF THE DISTRICT TRIBUNAL IN THE PROCESS
OF INTEGRATION HAS DONE MUCH TO RESTORE FAITH IN YOUR

LEADERSHIP AND IN THE AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

I AM GRATIFIED TO KNOW THAT YOU WILL SET THE
AGENDA FOR THE FORTHCOMING MEETING WITH THE GOVERNORS
AND THAT IT WILL BE BROAD ENOUGH TO INCLUDE A
DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH IN GENERAL
AND HOW THE GOVERNORS EXPECT TO CARRY OUT THE SUPREME
COURTS INTEGRATION ORDER

PLEASE ACCEPT MY FELICITATIONS

JOHN H SENGSTACKE PUBLISHER CHGO DAILY DEFENDER.

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October 7, 1957

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Clark:

Thank you very much for your recent telegram. It was heartening to have your support in the action I was compelled to take in the serious situation at Little Rock.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Mr. and Mrs. Grenville Clark

Dublin

New Hampshire

Wayne:

Per Mr. Fauver, the Clarks date back to 1953. The President wrote one time but not a personal letter...his general theme is disarmament and peace throughout the world. The President wrote before he went up to the Dartmouth ceremonies and stated he looked forward to seeing Mr. Clark at the Dartmouth ceremonies.

Mr. Clark has written many times to Governor Adams but there is nothing in files since 1956.

Later teamed up with a Lewis Sohn and as a result they came up with the Clark-Sohn Proposal --- copies of which they sent to any and every one.

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=PRESIDENT EISENHOWER=

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YOUR MESSAGE A VAST RELIEF. UPHOLD THE LAW SEE IT THROUGH.

THERE IS NO OTHER WAY=

MR AND MRS GRENVILLE CLARK=.

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