Dwight D. Eisenhower
President, United States of America
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I hardly know why I write this to you since you will never read it and about all I can hope for is my letter will be thrown into the segregation pile rather than the de-segregation pile. I suppose I write because I'm deeply troubled and angry too because so many outside agitators are causing so much friction throughout the South. Mr. President your way to force integration in Southern schools is not the way unless you are prepared to occupy every city and state in the deep South; you haven't hit the "hot" states and small towns yet. I plead with you to let each city, county, and state solve their own issues at the polls without pressure from uninformed and disinterested people. The three school systems is the best way to handle school segregation problems and abide by the law and please all concerned or otherwise. I strongly urge you come out for white, colored and mixed schools. Do not be misguided by political opportunists. Please remember Southern Christians believe in their way of life too.

Respectfully yours,

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