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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

CARL MARCY, CHIEF OF STAFF
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March 23, 1965

Dear :

Thank you very much for letting me know of your support for the "Eldercare" plan for providing medical care for our elderly citizens.

As you may know, I am a co-sponsor of the so-called "Medicare" bill which authorizes hospital and nursing home insurance for the elderly under the social security system. In my view, an insurance type program whereby benefits will be paid from a fund to which the individual has himself contributed is clearly preferable to the charity approach. "Medicare" seems to me to promise the most effective solution to the pressing problem of insuring adequate medical care for our elderly citizens.

While I am sorry we disagree on this particular issue, I appreciate your taking the time to write me of your interest and concern. I very much hope our views will be in accord on other matters which come before the Congress.

Sincerely yours,

Albert Gore

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