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Honorable Raymond F. Crist,
Commissioner of Naturalization,
Department of Labor,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Crist:

Since my conference with you at Washington a week ago last Friday, I have been devoting some time to the study of the Japanese and the Hindu cases. The decisions in these actions contain references to the Naturalization Act of June, 1906, Section 2169 of the Revised Statutes, and to sundry other laws regulating the naturalization of aliens. I am wondering whether your Bureau or Department has a convenient printed volume containing all these statutes. If so, I would like to purchase one or would request you to loan me one for a few days.

Judge Coke, the United States District-Attorney in Portland, Oregon, has granted us an extension of time to appear and answer the Government's bill of complaint in the Cartozian case to March 1st. A committee of prominent Armenians has been formed, under whose supervision, I am preparing our defense and will present the same at the trial. I trust that our conference has cleared the atmosphere and has resulted in a mutual understanding. We have no desire to make propaganda and everything has been done to discourage mass meetings and other public

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demonstrations. We realize that while the suit commenced by the Government is friendly, and on every hand I have heard the expression of the hope that we may and will win, still the issues involved are grave. Common prudence, therefore, requires that no effort should be spared to meet these issues quietly but intelligently. I trust that you will do all in your power to assist our Committee and me in this task.

With very sincere personal regards to you, I remain

Cordially yours,

Mr. Vartan Malcom