Mr. Albert Powell 1615 Topp Street Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Powell:

I am under the impression that I have already written to you about your cooperation in a conference on Voting Restrictions in the South in Washington, D.C. Sunday April 27th. However, I cannot find a carbon copy, hence I am writing again.

I believe you have received by now a copy of the minutes of the Planning Committee, also a fact sheet sent to you by Mrs. Anne Braden of Louisville. These two items will give you the details of the conference.

Plans for the meeting have been progressing smoothly, and we have a strong group of reporters from the other Southern states. The reporter from Louisiana will be Kenneth J. Walker, editor of the Colfax Chronicle of Colfax, Louisiana and president, I believe, of the Louisiana press association. Attorney Walden will be the reporter from Georgia. I believe the remainder of the names of the reporters was included in the minutes.

I am hoping that you and Mr. Ammee Moore will cooperate with Mr. Aaron Henry in preparing the seven minute report from Mississippi. We will be glad to have a longer report for the record, but because of the limitation of time, only seven minutes will be allotted for the actual reporting from each state.

We would like to have the report touch on the total situation in the state for about one or two minutes and the remainder of the time to be taken in a case story, a human interest story, which will illustrate the difficulties within the state.

We will be glad to pay the expenses of a car from Mississippi and I trust that you and Mr. Henry and Mr. Moore will be able to go, and perhaps invite one or two others to complete the delegation. The Committee on Local Arrangements in Washington will provide housing.

I was glad to see in the paper yesterday that the new. H. D. Darby had filed a suit in Jefferson Davis County.

In order to save time, I am sending a carbon of this letter to Mr. Moore and Mr. Henry.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

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