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February 2, 1950

Dear Dick,

This is to supplement the letter written today for Mr. Brown's signature concerning Otto Kirchheimer.

In my judgement Otto's study is a first-class piece of work. It is written with an objectivity and depth of understanding of the political and psychological background of the German labor movement seldom achieved. Although critical in some respects, it is nevertheless friendly and constructive criticism. In final analysis it is an appraisal of the strategy and tactics of the unions against a background of political facts the unions themselves are sometimes inclined to ignore.

This is to add my personal thanks to that of Mr. Brown for loaning us Otto.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

/s/ John

John K. Meskinen
Deputy Director
Office of Labor Affairs

Mr. Richard M. Scammon,
Chief, Division of Research for Europe,
Department of State
Room 702, State Annex No. 1.,
Washington, D. C.

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February 1, 1950

Mr. Richard Scammon,
Chief, Division of Research for Europe,
Department of State
Room 702, State Annex Bldg. 1,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Scammon:

Mr. Otto Kirchheimer of your staff has completed his assignment with us as a visiting expert and is returning to the States. He has produced a study on the organization and policies of the new trade union federation which I firmly believe will be received as the finest and most penetrating piece of research and analysis yet done in this field. We are reproducing the study and will give it the broadest possible distribution.

The purpose of this note is twofold. First to express my complete satisfaction with the admirable piece of work Mr. Kirchheimer has produced. Second to express my appreciation to you for having made his services available to us.

Sincerely,

H. W. Brown
Director
Office of Labor Affairs

RICHARD M. SCAMMON

13 June 1955.

Dear Otto -

Now that you are about to be on your way from so many years here in SA-1 I would not want to see you leave without writing how much we shall all miss you - professionally - and personally.

In a very real sense you have represented to me the highest type of scholarship and analysis here in OIR and your leaving is going to be a very real loss to the Division and to each of us. Your contribution to our work here and to a better, deeper understanding of the substance and myth of Germany and the Germans has been of literally inestimable value.

We hope we shall be able

still to call on you from time to time to
lend a hand - especially since you will be
resident here in Washington a bit longer.

For your work in Germany and
your efforts later at the new School - all
best luck from all of us.

Sincerely,

John Seamon.

Mr. Otto Kirchheimer,
Washington.

PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON REGISTRATION AND VOTING PARTICIPATION

ROOM 1904 - 7TH AND D STREETS, S.W.
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
WORTH 2-1696

June 5, 1963

Dear Colleague:

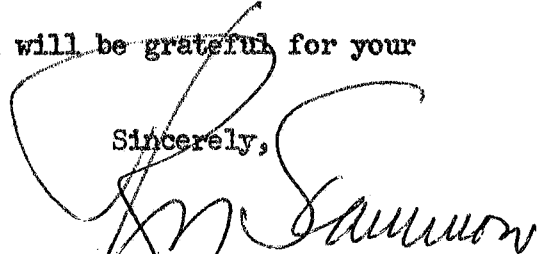
The President's Commission on Registration and Voting Participation, recently created by President Kennedy to study non-voting in national elections, is now engaged in gathering and weighing information for its report, due November 30, 1963.

The Commission would particularly appreciate the assistance of members of the American Political Science Association who have a declared interest in the electoral process, and we apologize to you for resorting to a form letter but our staff is small and the hour is short. We shall be glad to know your general views on the problems of voting participation which are raised in the Executive Order, a copy of which is enclosed for your information.

If you have made studies of non-voting or if you have any specific recommendations that fall within the scope of the Commission's study, we shall give them our closest attention. We are equally concerned with the legal and the behavioral aspects of non-voting.

The Commission will be grateful for your co-operation.

Sincerely,



Richard M. Scammon
Chairman



Donald G. Herzberg
Staff Director

Jan. 3, 65

Dear Dick:

As I am at home with a grippe for the next few days, I want to let you know that Martin Harrison declined. Tell Wally that I have a few other combinations up my sleeve : sleeve and I hope to entertain him about them next next week.

I fervently hope that we can keep our Friday date, I ought to be alright again by that time, but while I am sure it will be ok, we shall communicate before.

Regards -