

May 14, 1952

Mr. Herbert Waters
Department of Agriculture
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Waters:

Pursuant to the conference held in my office on May 9, 1952, there is enclosed herewith an outline, prepared by the Displaced Persons Commission, which is intended as a suggestion for what representatives of your Department may cover in their testimony on H.R. 7376. The hearings are scheduled to commence on May 22, before Subcommittee No. 1 of the House Judiciary Committee.

For your information there are also enclosed the following:

President's Special Message to the Congress, March 24
H.R. 7376 (Celler) and summary of principal provisions
H.J.Res. 411 and summary of principal provisions

As you know, H.R. 7376 implements the principal objectives stated by the President in his Special Message. You will note, however, that it does not provide for the use of lost visas as recommended by the President for issuance to displaced persons whose case could not be completed by the cut-off date of December 31, 1951.

Sincerely yours,

David Lloyd

Enclosures



AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

1. Need for agricultural labor in the United States
 - (a) past three years
 - (b) this year
 - (c) anticipated for next three years and long-term trends
2. Indication of why other available sources of agricultural labor will not meet needs.
3. Effect of agricultural manpower shortage on:
 - (a) domestic economy
 - (1) what phases of agriculture are especially imperilled by shortages?
 - (b) defense needs
 - (c) international commitments
 - (d) Department's agricultural goals for 1952
4. Indication of previous success in agriculture of immigrants from:
 - (a) Italy
 - (b) Netherlands (e.g., dairy farmers in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, etc.)
 - (c) Germany
 - (d) Greece
5. Indications of successful agricultural resettlements of displaced persons and German expellees (perhaps quotations from county agents, etc.).
6. Attitude of major farm organizations toward such program.
7. Consequent need for H.R. 7376 for agricultural welfare of United States.

