

WATERGATE

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Dear Ms. Byars:

I wish to extend to you my apologies for not having responded to your letter of October 25 sooner. However, the flow of mail into our office over the past several weeks has been extremely heavy.

With regard to Watergate, I feel that this is a matter which should be handled by the courts, and the Congress should get on with the business at hand. After all, this is what we were elected for. Also, I feel that our news media have not been giving an accurate reporting of the events of the past several months, and it is unfortunate that so many people have been swayed by what they have read in the newspapers and have heard on TV and radio. As yet, I have seen no charges which would warrant any action against the President of the United States, and until such time as I do, I will continue to support him as I have done in the past. This is a very critical time for our country, but we should remember the things the President has done for our nation over the past five years. Yes, the Vietnam war is over. We have less unemployment in this country than we have had in years, a third world war was averted because of the intervention of the Administration of the United States, and we are closer to world peace than we have ever been in the history of the United States. I agree that the President has made mistakes, but I feel that his plus side of the ledger far outshadows his minus side.

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I appreciate very much your taking the time to express yourself to me as you have, and I am grateful that we live in a country where we have the freedom of expression. I would welcome your further comments at any time.

Sincerely,

Happy Camp
Member of Congress

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