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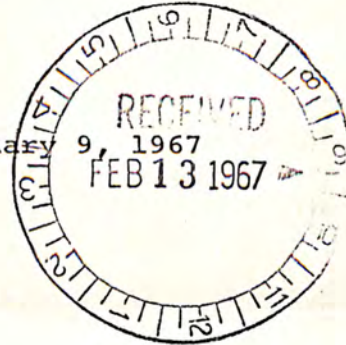
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Congress of the United States
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Mr. W. B. Satterfield
Manager
Atlanta Housing Authority
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Satterfield:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a report to the Congress just issued by the Comptroller General covering activities of local housing authorities throughout the United States, including the Housing Authority of the City of Atlanta.

I was deeply distressed by the Comptroller General's comments on the Atlanta authority operations on pages 8-11, though the report eventually concludes that HACA is now handling its fiscal affairs "in accordance with guidelines in the HAA management handbook."

To say the least, the Comptroller's comments indicate there is much to be desired in fiscal management practices of the period covered in the report -- practices which cost HACA thousands of dollars in interest revenue on its excess funds. I call this matter to your attention in the hope that you may want to consider corrective legislation amending the Housing Authority Act during this session of the General Assembly to avoid such occurrences in the future.

Certainly, it would seem difficult to defend the loss of such revenues through the practices commented upon at a time when the city is seeking additional funds for low-rent housing.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

FLETCHER THOMPSON
Member of Congress

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