

THE WHITE HOUSE

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Dear Mayor Allen:

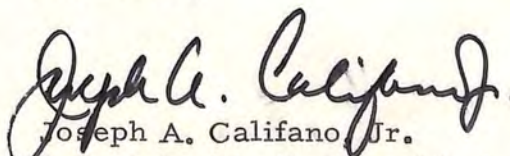
This will confirm our conversations concerning your participation on the President's Task Force on Cities which will be chaired by Dr. Paul Ylvisaker.

As you know, the problems faced by American cities have long been of great concern to the President. He has directed that every effort be made by this Administration to meet the challenge and has called upon the Congress for legislation which will enable the Administration to make a coordinated and comprehensive attack on the problems of the cities. He now calls upon the members of this Task Force for recommendations on new steps which should be taken as well as for advice on the most effective ways to implement existing legislative authority.

This task is as difficult and challenging as it is important, and the President is grateful for your willingness to participate.

The first meeting of the Task Force will be held on Friday, October 28, 1966, at ~~10:00~~ a.m. in Room 303 of the Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C.

Sincerely,

9:15


Joseph A. Califano, Jr.
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable Ivan Allen
Mayor of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia