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Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr.,  
Mayor of Atlanta,  
Municipal Building,  
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr Allen:

I saw this Stokely Carmichael on a TV panel a couple weeks ago and he had an evil look in his eyes. He struck me as a negro who was looking for trouble. I am very happy that your city of Atlanta has opened war on SNCC. We MUST HAVE LAW AND ORDER. I think you have taken the right action and other cities should do the same. We just can't tolerate riots and mob rule.

The way all the negro trouble is popping up all over our country it would appear that it is all planned. I want to congratulate you for taking prompt action and hope that you can put a stop to mob violence, riots, and destruction of property. We are making progress in our relations with negroes but such progress must be by peaceful means.

Sincerely yours,

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