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Leonidas H. Berry, M. D.
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Dear Doctor Berry,

Just a hasty note by air mail to hope that things are working out staisfactorily. I have not been in touch with Smitty since our original request and would think that you might want to inquire from him what results he is having with his survey. In an emergency situation, although I know it is time consuming and expensive, you might even want to place a few well chosen long distance phone calls, even made by your secretary to certain key individuals in the south who might be in position to provide us with vital information. I would think among such would be Emery Rann who could tell us the situation in Charlotte and something of the situation in his state, and A. C. Terrence who could tell us of the situation now in Louisiana and perhaps other doctors whom you know better than I in Mississippi and in Atlanta, Georgia and in South Carolina, etc. I would think that in an emergency, even some of these long distance phone calls could be charged to the number of the National Medical Association here in Washington via your own phone should you not want to overload your own phone bill. I am merely suggesting emergency ways of getting some of the information we need in order to have some few facts at least to present to the American Medical Association meeting, should Mr. Smith's questionnaire be lagging or rather the responses lagging. In any event, we certainly do want some specifics if we possibly can.

I am making plans to arrive in Chicago Sunday afternoon and shall go immediately to the Pick-Congress Hotel. I am wondering how you have made out with our attorney. I have been so busy the past few days that I have not been in touch with George and I do not know whether you have contacted him. I take it that if you have not heard from Coleman, a long distance phone call to him in this regard might be done and after ascertaining his wishes if he is not going to come you then might send George a wire so that he can arrange transportation etc.

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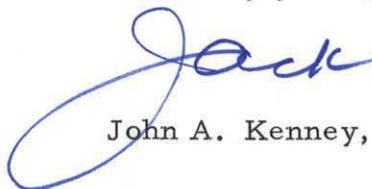
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I'm merely suggesting all these things as reminders to you for action as you may deem best. Needless to say, we are all with you and supporting you in your efforts to make this a productive meeting and I want to do all that I can to help. I'm looking forward to seeing you. Kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jack". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and a cursive "ack".

John A. Kenney, Jr., M. D.

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