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CITIZENS FOOD COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

CHARLES LUCKMAN
CHAIRMAN

November 3, 1947

Dear Mr. Mayor:

This Committee is now preparing a formal report on the status of the voluntary food-saving campaign in the various cities and I would deeply appreciate a brief note from you advising me of the steps you have taken to organize your community's participation.

Although I have not heard from you since the opening of the campaign, I assume that you have appointed a local Citizens Food Committee, in accordance with our appeal of October 11, and that this Committee is mobilizing your entire community to save food for the hungry people of Europe.

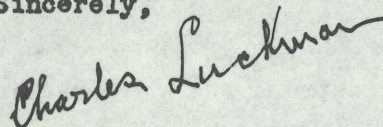
The President has just re-emphasized the urgency of the crisis:

"The perils of hunger and cold in Europe make this winter a decisive time in history. All the progress of reconstruction and all the promise of future plans are endangered. . . . If the economies of these countries collapse and the people succumb to totalitarian pressures, there will be no opportunity for them or for us to look forward to their recovery so essential to world peace. Their first need is food."

Your leadership will assist the people of your city to join their efforts with other Americans to help our country play its proper role in alleviating the suffering of our fellow human beings.

Many thanks to you for your cooperation

Sincerely,



Charles Luckman