

(Exhibit 95 follows:)

EXHIBIT 95

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, March 4, 1944.

HON. ELLISON D. SMITH,
Chairman, Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: When I appeared before your subcommittee investigating the Rural Electrification Administration, reference was made to a statement by Mr. Harry Slattery with regard to conferences with me and I was asked whether or not I had such conferences with Mr. Slattery.

Any conference I had with Mr. Slattery was in my capacity as Administrative Assistant to the President, which I regard as a confidential relationship, and I stated to your committee that it did not seem proper for me to answer.

I still believe that a legislative committee could not require either the secretary to the President or an administrative assistant to the President to testify as to matters which necessarily involve a conversation with the President, and which might possibly adversely affect the public interest. However, I have conferred with the President. He does not think that in this particular matter my testimony would adversely affect the public interest. Therefore, I advise you that I am entirely willing to appear before the committee and answer the questions propounded to me on last Monday, or any other questions with reference to this particular matter.

I do this because the President advises me that there is no statement made by him about this matter which he would not be willing for me to repeat to the committee. In fact, the President stated to me that if the committee wishes to discuss the matter with him personally, he will be happy to see the committee at any time.

Sincerely yours,

JONATHAN DANIELS,
Administrative Assistant to the President.

The CHAIRMAN. The public hearing is now adjourned, and the committee will go into executive session.

(Whereupon, at 11:55 a. m., the subcommittee went into executive session, at the conclusion of which the subcommittee recessed until 2:30 p. m. this day:)

AFTER RECESS

(The subcommittee reassembled at 2:30 p. m., pursuant to recess.)

The CHAIRMAN. The committee will come to order.

Mr. BEEDY. Mrs. Moore, will you take the stand, please? And will you be sworn?

TESTIMONY OF MRS. PAULINE McKINNEY MOORE, NEW YORK CITY

(The witness was duly sworn by the chairman.)

The CHAIRMAN. Mrs. Moore, will you give your name and address and your occupation, for the record?

Mrs. MOORE. My name is Pauline McKinney Moore. My present address is 122 East Forty-second Street, New York City. That is my business address.

Mr. BEEDY. Mrs. Moore, it becomes my duty to advise you that anything you say here can be used against you, and to ask you if you now waive immunity?

Mrs. MOORE. Yes.

Mr. BEEDY. Mrs. Moore, what is your present business?

Mrs. MOORE. Public relations.

Mr. BEEDY. In what?

Mrs. MOORE. In importing and exporting.