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Mr. Nathan Spero, Research Director  
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Dear Mr. Spero:

Since the new Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, creates a "National Labor-Management Panel", the continuation of the Labor-Management Advisory Committee and of the Technical Advisory Committee is prohibited. I had hoped before this that we could have gotten together and discussed the general conditions effecting labor-management relations; but I know you understand that we have been under severe pressure during the past few months. However, I have been meeting with the Labor-Management Advisory Committee at intervals and I am attaching the minutes of the last meeting for your information.

In reviewing your work, I find that you have covered generally the policy questions which confronted the Technical Division of the Service. I know that there are other questions for which this Division no doubt will need advice in the future, but the decisions which you made in your meetings have enabled the Commissioners attached to this branch of the Service to proceed most intelligently and without criticism in all of the cases to which they were assigned. I feel quite proud that these men have not been the subject of adverse criticism and that they have contributed materially to stability in this specialized field of labor relations.

During the last fiscal year, the work-load of this Division increased 57%; 159 cases were closed in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946; whereas, 251 cases were closed in this fiscal year ending June 30, 1947. Our Atlanta and Cleveland regions were the areas in which the case-load showed a marked increase; although in the Boston, Chicago and San Francisco regions, where very little work had been done before, there was a substantial case-load. I have no doubt that


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in the coming year, this type of mediation will be of material help to both labor and management.

As you know, I have submitted my resignation as Director to take effect upon confirmation of the new Director. I want to take this opportunity, therefore, to thank you for your interest in the Conciliation Service and for contributing to its reorganization. I hope that you will continue to show interest in the new Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service in order that it may benefit by your experience and knowledge.

Very sincerely yours,



Edgar L. Warren, Director  
U. S. Conciliation Service