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TO: President -Second Constitutional Convention DATE: 7/15/85

- FR: Attorney General
- RE: The Historical Rationale for requiring the President of the United States to be native born when this is not required for other offices Legal Opinion No. 25

We were unable to determine why the founding fathers inserted the requirement that the President of the United States be "native born" in Article I, section 2(a) of the United States Constitution.

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