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Dear Mr. Sears:

Although I regret to learn of your decision to leave government service, I fully understand the considerations prompting your action. Accordingly, I am accepting your resignation, effective as tendered in your recent letter.

It is gratifying to know that your service as United States Representative on the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations has given you such personal satisfaction. You can indeed take pride in the knowledge of your contribution to the work of the Council and the progress that has been made since your appointment more than seven years ago. In helping to present the United States in a true light to the peoples of the newly emerging nations, you have earned the gratitude of your fellow citizens.

As you return to private life you carry with you my best wishes for your future health and happiness.

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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The Honorable Mason Sears
United States Mission to the United Nations
Two Park Avenue
New York 16
New York

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To State (Mrs. Richardson) - 7/22/60, for transmittal.

NEW YORK 16, N. Y.
MURRAY HILL 3-6810

July 19, 1960

Dear Mr. President:

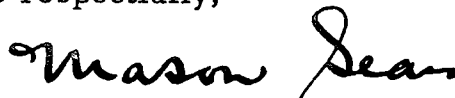
By this letter I respectfully submit my resignation as United States Representative on the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, to take effect, if convenient to you, on July 31 next. This date seems appropriate since the Council has finished its spring session and presumably will have no business before it until its next regular session in the latter part of January 1961.

It is now more than seven years since you appointed me to this position and I must tell you that I have enjoyed every moment of my service. During this period the international trusteeship system has made such progress that perhaps only as few as three of the eleven one time trust territories will be in existence after next year. Most of the trusteeship progress, of course, is taking place in Africa where formerly non-self-governing territories are achieving independence in such numbers that African member states are about to become one of the great groups in the U. N.

As you have often pointed out, these newly developing countries, which are experiencing today so many of the problems that marked our own initial period of independence, deserve the understanding and cooperation of the United States.

In closing I must thank you for the great privilege of serving under your administration and for the honor of representing you personally during the last two journies which I have made to Africa.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mason Sears".

Mason Sears

The President,
The White House.

COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES



Attached are:

1. Transmittal letter from Ambassador Lodge
2. Letter of resignation from Mr. Sears
3. Suggested letter of reply for the President's signature

Mr. Hampton's office to be notified when the letter is signed.


Robert E. Hampton

Letter of acceptance to State, Mrs. Barbara E. ... : 7/22/60

June 15, 1960

Dear Cabot:

Thanks for your letter of yesterday in connection with Mason Sears. I will take this up with the President as soon as possible after his return to Washington, keeping in mind your suggestion that the release be made from here after July eighteenth.

Apparently the President's trip is going very well indeed thus far, and let's keep our fingers crossed until Japan is behind him. I'll of course advise you when I have something definite on his arrival back here.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Wilton D. Persons

The Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge
United States Representative to the United Nations
Two Park Avenue
New York 16, New York

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Two Park Avenue,
New York 16, New York,
June 14, 1960.


Dear Jerry:

Herewith Mason Sears' letter of resignation,
and a text of a letter which I suggest that the President
write to him.

I suggest that the correspondence be released to
the press from the White House after July 18.

I hope the correspondence can be released to the
press as it would help Mason and he has done a good job.

Faithfully yours,


Henry Cabot Lodge

The Honorable
Wilton B. Persons
The White House.