Major General Kester L. Hastings  
The Quartermaster General  
Department of the Army  
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Hastings:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I have, this date, forwarded to the Honorable Robert Stevens, Secretary of the Army.

During World War II the Munitions Board, and I think perhaps the Quartermaster General, took the position that wool was a strategic and critical material and, consequently, the best interests of our national security dictated that we maintain a sound and strong wool growing industry, as well as a textile industry, and I assume that such is the position of the Defense Department today.

I will appreciate it very much if you will give me such help as you can along the lines suggested in my letter to the Secretary of the Army.

Yours very truly,

Frank A. Barrett, USS

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Enclosure