The Honorable Herbert H. Lehman  
United States Senate  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Lehman:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter and clipping from one of my constituents which, I am convinced, reflect an opinion that our Government should carefully meditate, free of prejudice, malice, and intemperance.

It is inconceivable that any country should refuse religious freedom if that nation is honestly and sincerely dedicated to the dignity of mankind under God.

Our country has made its great progress due in large part to the precepts of religious freedom and tolerance taught by our forefathers who had seen the cruel hand of religious intolerance. It is disheartening, to say the least, to read of such continuing violations of religious toleration in so many instances around the world which have been called to my attention by many of my constituents.

While I will not be a Senator in the Eighty-fourth Congress, it would be heartening to me to see this problem calmly, carefully, and prayerfully considered before its implications bring further suspicion and mistrust among our people and our churches.

Sincerely yours,

Alton Lennon

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