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Dear Mr.:

Your communication setting forth the problem which might confront you if import duties on barium carbonate or related chemicals should be sharply reduced, points up the complexity which will confront the country when it considers the administration proposals for the delegation of broader powers to the President to lower tariff duties as he might see fit.

Already many industries have indicated the problem which will confront them if such action is taken. I am certain this whole matter will be thoroughly explored by both House and Senate and that every factor and interest will be considered before legislation in this field is enacted.

I am glad to have your observations.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen