Dear . . . . . .:

The Finance Committee has been concerned with the effect that proposed quota legislation on electronic products would have on our domestic electronics industry. The staff of the Committee is now engaged in a study to determine the best manner of handling this problem, recognizing the interests of the electronics industry.

I believe everyone agrees that the exploration now in progress by the Senate Finance Committee is, in itself, an excellent thing. The entire trade picture has long been in need of a thorough review, and the interest manifested by the number of people who have appeared at the hearings is an assurance that the economic health of the country, whether it relates to agriculture, steel, mining, oil, manufacturing, or any other item, will be very carefully considered.

The Committee will continue its work on this problem over the next few weeks and I anticipate that early in the coming year, a decision will be made as to how we should meet this problem that the American industry faces.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen