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William B. Kolender, Chairman
Integration Task Force
c/o San Diego Police Department
801 West Market Street
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Chief Kolender:

We are concerned with Ms. Veronica Roeser's letter to you of October 30, 1978 in which she suggested that the names of parents, students and staff providing information to monitors may be kept confidential.

The School District is of the opinion that such a policy would encourage the receipt of false and misleading information, the veracity of which could not be checked. In the same way that the School District gives no credibility to anonymous complaints about teachers and other staff members, no credibility should be given to complainants unwilling to stand behind their complaint.

The issue is brought into sharper relief by virtue of the fact that integration monitors should not become ombudsmen and be the recipients of all complaints whether related to integration or not.

We look forward to a resolution of this very important issue.

Sincerely,

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cc: Honorable Louis M. Welsh
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