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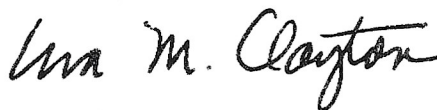
Dear Mr. Slaughter:

I would like to again express my appreciation to you for accepting my invitation to appear as a panelist during my Issue Forum on "Is There a Future For African Americans In Agriculture" for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's Annual Legislative Weekend held September 27, 2001.

In furtherance of the goals of the Congressional Black Caucus to inform African Americans about various issues in this country, I believe that your input in this forum was informative and invaluable to our audience. I regret, however, that we lacked sufficient time for questions and answers. Next year, I will be mindful of increasing the time-frame.

Thank you again for devoting your time and resources to attend this forum. May God continue to bless and keep you and the lives of those who have been touched and inspired by your message.

Sincerely,



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