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Letter from a Puerto Rican Supporter to Geraldine Ferraro

Geraldine Ferraro
Dear Gerry,

Congratulations, I hope you can use the enclosed bumper stickers in your campaign for Vice President. They appeared in the June 12, 1984 issue of The National Enquirer (You can disregard the copyright). It tells the story of Mr. Reagan's forgotten Americans.

and I campaigned for J.F.K. in 1960, when as a candidate he reminded us that fourteen million Americans were going to bed hungry - I wonder what is that figure today.

Last year on a visit to New York, I saw people trying to sleep on the side of skyscrapers sheltered with cardboard boxes. I understand many froze to death this past winter, (While Mr. Reagan makes like 'Smiley',).

Your administration will find what Roosevelt found, 50 years ago, the very rich and the very poor. It is ironic that for all intents and purposes Eleanor was the V.P. She visited Puerto Rico and got the ball rolling to improve the lot of an impoverished people, not to mention the U.S. veterans who were very restless.

I am not a Liberal, don't think I'll ever be, but I realise people will not allow themselves to starve while some have over-abundance. They said that in Cuba people have to wait for hours on line to get a pair of shoes, but now they say that today every Cuban has shoes.

We had a great Vice President in Spiro Agnew until he stepped on the toes of the effete snobs (Beware). If people like Reagan could only realise that the self worth of any individual starts with a job well done and for this reason government has to be the employer of last resort. Even if the Corps. of Engineers has to employ not draft people to build roads, bridges and clean rivers and lakes.

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When Roosevelt proclaimed a new deal for the American people, I hope he meant all the Americans in the hemisphere; Kennedy wasn't able to finish the job that he had started, hope you will.

God will be with you,

P.S. [redacted] and Rep. Bob Garcia know me as an old campaigner. If I can help here in Puerto Rico, just let me know. My number is, [redacted]
American Retail Merchants
Chase Manhattan Building
Bayamon, Puerto Rico 00619

sent gift and flew assistance
GAF DATA ENTRY FORM

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First Name: •
Last Name: •
Middle Name:* •
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City: BAYAMON
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