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MARCUS GARVEY

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August 17, 2004

Dear Representative Rangel:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding a Presidential pardon for Marcus Garvey.

Your interest in this unique case is appreciated. Please know that your correspondence has been directed to the appropriate Administration officials for their careful review and consideration.

Due to mail screening procedures, I have only recently received your letter. Thank you for your patience in awaiting this response.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Hobbs". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

David Hobbs
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Charles Rangel
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Bcc for appropriate action: agency liaison, 1800 G Street

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President George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

July 21, 2004

Dear Mr. President:

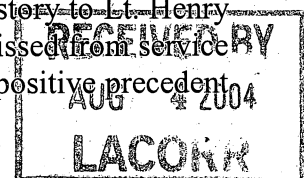
I am writing to you to ask you to clear the name of the great civil rights leader Marcus Garvey. Marcus Garvey was a native Jamaican who came to the United States in 1916. He established branches of his Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA) in New York City with "the absolute purpose of bettering (the Black people's) condition, industrially, commercially, socially, religiously and politically."

The Garvey movement soon spread to other Northern cities and had up to 4 million supporters during its peak time. Garvey encouraged African Americans to become self-reliant and "to take pride in their race" at a time when Black communities were severely oppressed in our country.

But J. Edgar Hoover infiltrated the Garvey organization and had an agent fabricate evidence of mail fraud with which he charged Garvey in 1922. Garvey's trial was a mockery and he was imprisoned and deported back to Jamaica in 1927. In the records of the United States Department of Justice he remains ex-convict number 19359 although it is well proven that the charges brought against him were false.

Since 1987, the centenary of Marcus Garvey's birth, I have introduced the same bill, asking the President of the United States to exonerate Marcus Garvey, into every single Congress. During the past three months, the City Council of Lauderhill, Florida and the City Council of Hartford, Connecticut, have supported me in this endeavor by passing resolutions reaffirming the innocence of Marcus Garvey and requesting that his reputation be restored.

I ask you to take the necessary steps to exonerate Marcus Garvey. The Justice Department in the past advised Presidents not to exonerate posthumously. But President Clinton, in 1999, granted the first posthumous Presidential pardon in our nation's history to Lt. Henry Ossian Flipper, the first Black graduate of West Point. He had been dismissed from service in 1882 for racial and unjust reasons. President Clinton set a strong and positive precedent



and I ask you to consider whether the Garvey conviction presents an equally compelling case for justice to be done at this time.

Marcus Garvey has been recognized internationally as a leader in the struggle for human rights. Some of the greatest leaders of the civil rights movement were inspired by his deeds and words. Martin Luther King called Garvey "the first man, on a mass scale to give millions of Negroes a sense of dignity and destiny" and Jamaica proclaimed him its first national hero in 1964.

It is high time that our country recognizes Marcus Garvey for his great leadership and bravery. The exoneration would also be another step towards healing the race divisions that are still existent in our country.

It is in your hands only to restore the good name of this extraordinary man.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this important issue.

Sincerely,



CHARLES B. RANGEL
Member of Congress

cc: Secretary of State Colin Powell



Shanks