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Memorandum from J. K. Vardaman, Member of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

On the 12th instant I received from United States

Senator John W. Bricker of Ohio a letter dated the 7th in which

he comments on my public statement of February 5th. Inasmuch

as Senator Bricker's letter was official and published in the

Congressional Record, I am writing an open letter in answer

rather than a private letter in order to reply to certain

inferences in the Senator's letter.

Attached is a copy of Senator Bricker's letter to me and a copy of my reply dated February 15th.

J. K. V.

Attachmonts.