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Dear Bill:

My staff informs me that your proposal to establish a nationwide technology information transfer system and promote the development of new technology and technological innovation is all but complete and should be ready for presentation shortly. As you know, I share your conviction that these proposals can constitute major components in carrying out the purposes of the Humphrey-Hawkins Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act and I look forward to seeing the final draft.

In this connection, Bill, I am enclosing a copy of the revised legislation which has been fully endorsed by President Carter. The new bill retains all of the essential elements and goals of earlier versions but is now in a more streamlined and flexible form. Hearings on the legislation are about to get underway in the House and it is my hope that hearings will begin in the Senate some time in February.

It would be of great assistance to me, Bill, if you would look the measure and the accompanying supporting material over at your earliest convenience and give me the benefit of your thinking. As you know, the role outlined for the private sector is fundamental to the success of the Act. Both Gus Hawkins and I are anxious to get a reading from enlightened corporate leaders. Your name, of course, is at the top of the list.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,


Hubert H. Humphrey
Vice Chairman