

31 August 1950

Major General A. D. Bruce
Deputy Army Commander
Headquarters Fourth Army
Fort Sam Houston, Texas

Dear A.D.:

Your congratulations and kind remarks on my new appointment are sincerely appreciated.

This will undoubtedly turn out to be as difficult as anything I have yet undertaken, but I am confident that now, as in the past, I will receive the assistance and support of some first-rate people and that together we will make a go of it.

With kindest regards,

Faithfully,

15/Bedell

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH ARMY
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMANDER
FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

Noted by CG

25 August 1950

Dear Bedell:

I saw the confirmation of your new job the other day. As I stated before, I think you are darned patriotic to take it under the circumstances.

May I repeat, I did not intend to burden you with any of my troubles. They are relatively minor and I do not want you to take any action, even in conversation.

Please do not try to reply to this, as I know how busy you must be.

Best of luck for one who is best qualified in our country to take this particular job at this particular time. We all should be grateful for your sacrifice.

Sincerely,



A. D. BRUCE
Major General, U. S. Army
Deputy Army Commander

Lt. Gen. W. B. Smith
Headquarters, First Army
Governor's Island, N. Y.

*Acknowledged
H. W. G. W.*