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Mr. William Nelson
c/o Argonaut Hotel
Denver, Colorado

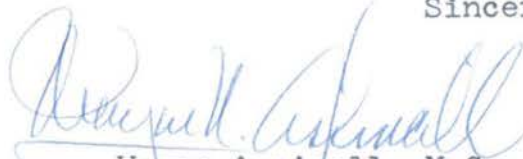
Dear Mr. Nelson:

I know you will be pleased to learn that the Aspinall Bill for Dinosaur Monument has been approved by both the House and Senate and sent to the President. All Departments have reported favorably on the bill and we know of no reason why it should not be signed.

The enclosed Report of the Conference Committee makes clear how we were able to work out the difficult problems of the boundaries in Utah, and the question of future non-park uses. By taking the language of the Allott amendment from the bill and explaining it in the Report we were able to accomplish the same thing. Actually, there has never been any question about the power of a future Congress to authorize any uses it finds necessary or desirable in a monument. The entire controversy is related only to explaining Congressional intention in this Act. Everyone agreed this could be accomplished as well in the legislative history as in the bill itself.

It now appears that the Park Service should shortly begin its development of this area and the construction of the new road.

Sincerely yours,


Wayne Aspinall, M.C.


Gordon Allott, U.S.S.

Enclosure