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FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY  
WASHINGTON

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THE COMMISSIONER

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Honorable George B. Schwabe  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Schwabe:

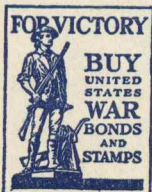
This acknowledges your letter of August 7, addressed to Col. F. C. Starr of our staff, concerning several of your constituents who are interested in the prefabricated housing units located near Pryor, Oklahoma. We assume that you are referring to our project known as Pierre Choteau Courts, identified on our records as OKLA-34031.1.

The 450 houses remaining in this project are what we call a demountable type. They may be dismantled in sections and assembled on another site. We have already moved 50 of these dwellings to Dalhart, Texas where they are now more than 95% occupied.

Before disposing of such projects the Federal Public Housing Authority will consult with representatives of the local government having jurisdiction over the area in which the housing is located. The recommendations of the local representatives, after approval by the elected head of the local government, will be reviewed for legality, financial return to the Government, and conformity with disposition policies of the National Housing Agency and Federal Public Housing Authority. Consideration will also be given to the improvement of the local housing supply, to minimizing adverse effects upon existing housing and to encouraging future private construction. The FPHA will follow, as far as practicable the local recommendations.

Federal agencies will have first priority in purchasing demountable housing. Such projects may be considered for use as low-rent housing when local communities, through their governing bodies and local housing authorities, request it, subject to Congressional approval. State or other local governments may purchase such housing for non-residential or institutional use.

In all cases where Federal agencies or state or local governments are not interested in demountable projects, preference in purchasing will be given to consumers (first to occupants and then prospective occupants). Among prospective occupants, veterans will have preference.



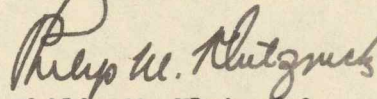


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Consumers include Mutual Ownership Corporations comprised of occupants or prospective occupants. Where it is not feasible to sell to consumers, sale will be made to private investors.

If you have particular constituents who are interested in purchasing one or more of the dwellings in the Pierre Chateau Courts project, we will be glad to have our Regional Director, Marshall W. Amis, 1411 Electric Building, Seventh & Lamar Streets, Fort Worth 2, Texas, place their names on a mailing list so that they will be notified as soon as these dwellings are available for disposition.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Philip M. Klutznick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P".

Philip M. Klutznick  
Commissioner