- TORREST F. N. BARD 1801 WINNEMAC AVENUE CHICAGO SGEWEBE COLL LONGBEACH 0500 May 1st, 1 9 4 6 Hon. George B. Schwabe House Office Building Washington, D. C. Dear Sir: I am in receipt of a copy of H. R. 4950, and I want to recommend very strongly the passage of this bill in its present form. It was never intended by the originators of the patent system that the Government should go into the patent business. The Government is not a monopoly; its affairs are open to the citizens of the country and it should not engage in monopoly, either directly or through its wholly owned corporations or through any legal device. I am the owner of a number of patents which I have taken out on a number of my own inventions. They form the basis of the operation of a small business which I operate and I regard the patents just as important a part of my company as the machine tools themselves. The property rights of the citizens and the exclusion of the Government from ownership of patents, should be meticulously observed. FNBARD: cs