May 4, 1967.

Honorable William S. James President of the Senate State House Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Section 17 of Article II of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed today Senate Bill 400 and am returning it to you.

The bill, increasing the number of members of the Legislative Council from 20 to 30, is a duplicate of House Bill 558, which has been signed and is now Chapter 263 of the 1967 Laws of Maryland.

Sincerely yours,

(s) SPIRO T. AGNEW.

Governor.

## Senate Bill No. 435—Dentistry

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 5 (a) of Article 32 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement), title "Dentistry", subtitle "In General", to change the requirements possessed by persons with dental degrees who may apply to the Board of Dental Examiners for examination by the Board to practice dentistry in the State.

May 4, 1967.

Honorable William S. James President of the Senate State House Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Section 17 of Article II of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed today Senate Bill 435 and am returning it to you.

This bill would extend to graduates of dental schools in former territories or possessions of the United States the right to apply for examination by the Maryland Board of Dental Examiners to practice dentistry. In practical effect, the only jurisdiction affected is the Philippine Islands.

The Board of Dental Examiners, The American Dental Association and other professional groups have urged me to veto the measure, pointing out that no other state in the Nation accepts for examination graduates of dental schools outside of the United States and Canada; that the bill would give a professionally unmerited preference to Philippine-trained dentists over other foreign-trained dentists; and finally, that to permit persons to practice dentistry without further training following graduation from a school over which the American Dental Association exercises no control or per-