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Supreme Court of the Anited States Washington, P. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF JUSTICE HUGO L. BLACK

March 31, 1970

Dear Potter,

# Re: No. 1155 - United States v. Vuitch

I agree to the suggested letter in

the above case.

Sincerely,

H. L. B.

Mr. Justice Stewart

cc: Members of the Conference

April 2, 1970

## Re: No. 1155 - United States v. Vuitch

Dear Potter:

I find that I neglected to make any formal return on your memorandum of March 27, regarding the instructions to be given to our Clerk in this case. Your proposal seems to me just right.

Sincerely,

J.M.H.

Mr. Justice Stewart

CC: The Conference

Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D. C. 20543

CHAMBERS OF

# March 27, 1970

#### MEMORANDUM TO THE CONFERENCE

### Re: No. 1155, United States v. Vuitch

We decided at the Conference to ask the parties in this case for further briefing on the question of this Court's appellate jurisdiction. I have been advised by John Davis that it is the normal practice with respect to requests of this kind for the Clerk simply to write a letter to counsel for the parties, rather than for the Court to issue a formal order. Accordingly, I suggest that the Clerk be requested to write such a letter to counsel, containing the following language:

> The appellant is requested to supplement its jurisdictional statement, and the appellee his response, with respect to the following question: Does this Court have jurisdiction to entertain a direct appeal from a decision of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia dismissing an indictment on the ground of the invalidity of the statute upon which the indictment is founded, where that statute, although an act of Congress, applies only in the District of Columbia?



Re: No. 1155 - U. S. v. Vuitch

Dear Potter:

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Your suggested approach to this matter looks good to me.

Sincerely,

#### B.R.W.

Mr. Justice Stewart

cc: The Conference