

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, February 17, 1954.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In my Annual Message, I made reference to the work which was being done by the Special Commission to Study Communism and Subversive Activities.

From such information as I have received with respect to progress being made by that Commission I am satisfied that its studies and hearings will be of real benefit to the Commonwealth.

The initial appropriation made for this Commission was \$10,000. That sum is now practically exhausted. In order that it may carry on its activities effectively until the terminal date of June 30th which you specified, I recommend that you appropriate for the use of the Commission in advance of the budget \$18,000. I am assured that this sum will be adequate and am satisfied that it is not excessive.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTIAN A. HERTER,
Governor of the Commonwealth.

