

Kohn Lauds McKeithen's Jail Reform

Aaron M. Kohn, managing director of the Metropolitan Crime Commission of New Orleans, has praised Gov. John J. McKeithen for "unprecedented progress" in prison reform during the McKeithen administration.

Kohn, in a letter to McKeithen, hailed the achievements in prison reform during the 1964-71 tenure of the current administration while noting "much remains to be done to make up for decades of neglect."

The director of the MCC, who has often been at odds with McKeithen on other matters, added: "Although we have, and probably will continue to have, sharp differences about the character of our state's government, I wanted you to know my appreciation for your accomplishments."

Kohn also specifically cited the efforts of Lt. Gen. David Wade, state adjutant general; Louis M. Sowers, director of the Department of Corrections, and his assistant, Paul Phelps, for prison reform.