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Dear Senator Kuchel:

I have been requested to reply to your letter to the President dated August 30, 1962 concerning the recent rescission of Executive Order 8683 which terminated Navy entry control security procedures for Guam.

The application of these entry control procedures had been suspended indefinitely by the Chief of Naval Operations with respect to United States citizens on September 14, 1961. The procedures, insofar as aliens are concerned, were duplicative inasmuch as the entry of aliens into Guam for some years has been subject to the same laws and regulations under the McCarran Act (Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952) as the entry of aliens into the United States. The termination of the Navy entry control procedures eliminated this unnecessary duplication of effort.

Apra Harbor as you know lies wholly within the Naval Base on Guam. It is necessary that all vessels entering into the harbor continue to be subject to the operational requirements of the Navy. The White House Press Release recognized this necessary consideration.

The termination of the Navy entry control procedures will allow both United States and foreign flag vessels to call at Guam. As you note in your letter, personnel manning United States flag vessels are screened by the United States Coast Guard. Personnel manning foreign flag vessels entering Guam, on the other hand, just as in entering the United States, will be subject to the well established screening procedures administered by the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice.

You may recall that the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs had earlier expressed its concern to Secretary McNamara that these Navy entry control procedures had been an impediment to the development of the full potential of Guam

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for tourism and trade. In his statement of August 23, 1962, accompanying the rescission of Executive Order 8683, the President said that it is our national policy to encourage expanded economic development on Guam. Responsible Defense officials, at the time the question of security controls for Guam was under consideration, recognized that in the event it were found that security controls inhibited the economic development of Guam the issue was for resolution by appropriate authority.

We appreciate your interest and are pleased to provide you with this information.

Sincerely yours,

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Honorable Thomas H. Kuchel

United States Senate