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Dear Arthur:

In Dean's absence I want to thank you for your letter concerning the need to move ahead urgently with planning for the future of the United States territories and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. As you note, we are already actively planning for the future of our territories. Your suggestions and ideas have been most valuable in this connection, and we should be able in the very near future to recommend to the President an agreed program for the attainment of our objectives.

Naturally, we will be working very closely with you since the Mission must play a crucial role at all stages.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

George W. Ball
Acting Secretary

The Honorable
Arthur J. Goldberg,
United States Permanent Representative
to the United Nations,
New York, New York.

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