April 21, 1966

Mr. Secretary:

Attached is a copy of President Kennedy's letter of November 4, 1963, which states that you are "to exercise full control over the...removal" of the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory.

Mr. Carver, Mr. Anderson, and I are of the view that Mr. Goding should not remain in the Trust Territory any longer than is absolutely necessary, if there is in fact the announcement on Monday that we discussed. We will have in your hands, no later than Monday, a radiogram from you to him which will have the effect of causing him to leave Saipan forthwith.

We plan that you will have a press release in hand some time Friday.

For your information, Mr. Carver has had successful telephone conversations with Senator Jackson and Congressman Aspinall. I have tried to reach Mr. O'Brien, but understand he is in Albany and will not return until Monday afternoon. I plan to be in touch with him then.

Mrs. Ruth G. Van Cleve

Enclosure

cc: Under Secretary Carver Asst. Secretary Anderson