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The Honorable Marvin Watson Special Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D. C.

Re: American Samoa stop - Far East Trip

Governor H. Rex Lee is in Washington for budget hearings and has requested of me the following:

1. 1,000 additional gold LBJ pens

2. 54 additional medallions

Following the President's visit he made distribution of these items to the school children and reception committee, but he did not have enough to complete the lists. He suggests he has some political problems until a complete distribution can be made.

He will be in town until November 19, 1966, and could take these items back with him. Is this a problem?

(The impact of the visit to American Samoa was significant. A lasting impression has been made by the President and Mrs. Johnson. I recommend that you consider sending two brass plaques to Governor Lee: (1) from the President, thanking the Samoans for their hospitality and honors, to be affixed at the site of the President's speech at the airport; and (2) from Mrs. Johnson, thanking the Samoans for the honor of naming a new school after her, to be affixed on the grounds of the Lady Bird school. The Samoans would treasure these items. If I can be of help in this effort, please call on met)

Andrew Hays, Director Office of Public Affairs