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Dear Mr. Cater:

Thank you for your booklet containing three speeches on education by President Johnson. The President and I had a few minutes to talk about our educational program here in American Samoa during his recent stopover on his way to Australia. He was interested in the manpower of the program, so I am forwarding to you a list of our stateside contract employees and their salaries. In addition to them we have 559 local Samoan teachers. Their education level is approximately that of a stateside seventh grader. Their average salary is \$1,600 at the present time and on January 7, 1968, they will receive an overall increase that will average about \$1,000 or more for a total salary of \$2,600.

Our educational television program is not "out of the woods" as you can see by a letter written by one of our Samoan teachers, but you can be assured that I consider the education aspect of our rehabilitation program for the territory as the most important.

With all best wishes for the New Year!

Sincerely,

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