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FOLLOWING IS MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT FOR AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS:

QTE: TO: AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDE≱N WILLIAMS

THE PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR

MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS

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DEAR AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS:

YOU HAVE MY VERY BEST WISHES AS YOU BEGIN DISCUS-SIONS WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS LOOKING TOWARD A CLOSE AND PERMANENT CRASSOCIATION BETWEEN THE ISLANDS AND TEH\*\*HE UNITED STATES. I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS IN THESE TALKS.

PLEASE CONVEY MY WARM GREETINGS TO THE REPRESENTA-TIVES OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS. THE UNITED STATES, AS A PACIFIC NATION, IS DEEPLY CONCERNED BOTH FOR THE STABILITY OF THIS VITAL AREA, AND FOR THE SECURITY AND WELL-BEING OF THE MARIANAS PEOPLE. IN THIS SPIRIT WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A CONTINUING MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE MARIANA ISLANDS. SINCERELY, RICHARD NIXON. UNGTE.

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