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Dear Jim:

Thank you for your letter of March 7 bringing me up-to-date on recent developments and the proposed schedule for our next round of negotiations.

As you probably know, I wrote to the Chairman on March 5 urging him, if possible, to arrange for the negotiations in late April or early May. I recognize, of course, that there are a variety of factors which necessarily influence the schedule and that my preferences are relatively unimportant. If you are able to get me an additional week's time, it would be very helpful; if it proves to be impossible, I will make the necessary arrangements so as to be present in the Marianas when needed. As I am sure you appreciate, I would much rather be in Saipan working for the Commission than back here in Washington worrying about some of my other clients. Please let me know as soon as the schedule is firmed up.

Enclosed is a recent article from the <u>Washington</u>
Post written by a friend of mine currently stationed in
Tokyo. I think that he missed important points and did
not give equal treatment to the leadership in the Marianas
meflected on our Commission. If we conclude that it
might be useful, I think that we might arrange an inter-

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view of our Chairman by this reporter before or after our cour court round of newolistions.

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