01 fee à 1/2/23. MRSC-(amb/fam.) THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON The Old Executive Building Room 361 Washington, D. C. 20506 August 17, 1973 Senator Edward DLG Pangelinan Chairman, Marianas Political Status

Commission Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

Dear Eddie:

Jim Wilson has briefed me on the results of his visit to the Western Districts and in particular on his informal meetings with you in Saipan. There are several items I would like to discuss with you and, if it suits you, I suggest we meet on August 29_ in Guam as I pass through on my way to Southeast Asia.

At that time I will be able to give you a summary prepared by Jim Wilson reporting the information gleaned from his recent visit to the Western Districts. The overall problem involved in the settlement of the land issue is more difficult than we envisioned and I think we should spend some time together on this important matter. If in your judgment it would be desirable for Ben Santos to meet with us, I would be delighted to see him also.

Since I last wrote you, there have been some new faces added to the Office for Micronesian Status Negotiations. Captain Dick Scott of the Navy has replaced Bill Crowe, and Mr. Solomon Silver, an economist, has joined us and will serve as the senior U. S. representative on the Joint Sub-Committee on Economics and Finance. Both Dick and Sol will meet with me in Guam. They plan to go on to Saipan on August 31. Mary Vance Trent has more information regarding their visit which she will wish to share with you.

I look forward to seeing you. With warm best wishes to you and Dulcey and the children.

Sincerely yours,

Franklin Haydn Williams The President's Personal Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations

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