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Dear Sir:

In 1964 I signed a renewable lease agreement with the Trust Territory Government which gave me as leasee the right to use 200 hectares of land in Tinian from 1 January 1965 to 31 December 1974. In addition, I have claim to land which was to be leased at later dates: 500 hectares in 1971 and more in 1974.

I know that the Micronesian Cattle Ranch is using this land at the present time, and I believe they are using it illegally.


I am afraid to seek legal assistance in the Trust Territory because I fear the owners of the Micronesian Cattle Ranch will bribe my lawyer to serve their interests.

I have heard that the Navy is interested in using the land I have leased, so the purpose of this letter is two-fold: 1) I would like to establish that I am the legal lessor of this land, and 2) I would like to discuss terms for sub-leasing it on a long-term basis to the U.S. Navy.

I could meet with you concerning this matter anytime during the month of June. Please give me an appointment and I will come to see you at that time.

Your prompt reply is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Jose R. Cruz

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