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Senator Edward DLG Pangelinan
Chairman
Marianas Political Status Commission
P. O. Box 977
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

Dear Ed:

Believe it or not, enclosed is a copy of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee. I think you know that Jim Leonard and I are generally pleased with this result, notwithstanding the caveats reflected in our concurring statement.

I will assume that this will be an agenda item to cover with members of our Commission during the preparatory sessions beginning on May 6. If you and the Commission generally concur with our recommendation, we will be able to take Phase I off the agenda of the formal negotiations and try to persuade the United States to begin implementation of this effort as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Howard P. Willens

Enclosure

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