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Dear Mike:

This is in reply to your request of 12 April for certain items of information which you needed to prepare for the upcoming round of negotiations.

As we discussed earlier in the week, some of the bills and resolutions from the Congress of Micronesia have not yet been transmitted to the Office, and consequently are not yet available. As these items are transmitted to us, we will in turn forward them to you. Of those requested, we are forwarding S.B. Nos. 94, 185, 189, 260; H.B. No. 249; and, S.J.R. No. 91. As you will note S.B. 94 has been vetoed by the High Commissioner, and although the veto was overridden by the Congress of Micronesia, it was vetoed a second time. In these situations, the bill will be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his consideration. If you have any questions in this regard, please let us know.

The Guam Legislature acts have not yet been obtained by the Office of Territorial Affairs, but I have been assured that a request for these items has been transmitted and they will be available shortly.

The environmental impact statement which you refer to as recently released was evidently a portion dealing with fauna and flora prepared by Mr. Robert Owen, Entomologist for the trust territory. That study is an integral part of the overall environmental impact statement still in preparation by the Department of Defense which will be released some time this August. I am exploring with the Department whether that portion can be released to you prior to that time.

The "fact sheet" regarding United States military land requirements on Tinian is enclosed. I understand that Senator Pangelinan and Ambassador Williams reached agreement during their meeting in Hawaii to have the document translated into Chomorro and to have it distributed to the residents of Tinian.

Your last request has some problems, which we discussed earlier, directly related to costing of the computer time and print-out of the Guam immigration statistics. As we agreed, the request should be limited

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to your No. 1 of Tab D (a table analogous to Table 4 of the 1972 Annual Report: "Aliens Admitted to Guam Under the Immigration Laws, Years Ended June 30, 1969-73"). In discussions with the Immigration and Naturalization Service I was informed that each yearly print-out for Guam would cost \$2,500.00. We are now attempting to reach some understanding on this cost factor, and will be contacting you as soon as some final understanding has been reached.



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