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The Honorable Edward DLG. Pangelinan  
 Chairman  
 Marianas Political Status Commission  
 P.O. Box 977  
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing in Howard's absence to send you a copy of a memorandum which we have prepared explaining the Commission's position with respect to military retention land. Gerard Smith of this firm is meeting today with several high ranking officials of the Departments of State and Defense about this problem. We are also in the process of sending copies of the memorandum to members of the House and Senate who may be interested and helpful. And, of course, a copy has been sent to Jim Wilson.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Michael S. Helfer

Enclosure

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