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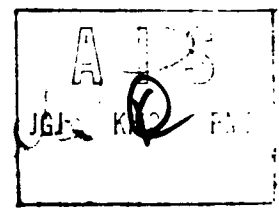
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THE WHITE HOUSE
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Old Executive Office Building
Room 361
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November 21, 1974

The Honorable William P. Clements, Jr.
The Deputy Secretary of Defense
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C. 20301



Dear Mr. Clements:

It is now expected that the fifth round of talks with the Marianas Political Status Commission (MPSC) will open in Saipan on December 5, 1974, and will last for two weeks. It is hoped that most of the remaining defense related issues can be resolved at this session.

In previous sessions I have relied on the advice of Captain E.C. Whelan, USN, International Security Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Defense, and I would like to count on his valuable services as an advisor for the fifth session. Additionally there will be detailed technical discussions on the subject of defense land requirements on Saipan and Tinian. For this reason I request that two technical advisers be assigned to the U.S. Delegation. One should be an expert in real estate acquisition in Micronesia and the other should represent the executive agent for base development on Tinian.

The U.S. Delegation tentatively plans to depart Washington for Saipan on November 29 and return on or about December 20, 1974. Unfortunately funds available to the Office for Micronesia Status Negotiations are insufficient to defray transportation and per diem costs and it will be necessary for Captain Whelan and the two technical advisers to arrange for these funds.

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Sincerely,

Franklin Hayden Williams
U.S. Ambassador
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