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Congressman Ralph S. Regula
Room #240
House Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman:

I enjoyed meeting you a few months ago to discuss, on behalf of the Marianas Political Status Commission, the current negotiations between the Marianas and the United States. The most recent session of negotiations concluded on December 19, 1973, and it is anticipated that another session will be scheduled within the next few months. Enclosed for your information is a report summarizing the present status of these negotiations and highlighting the more significant questions which remain to be resolved.

I have had the opportunity recently to meet with Congressman Burton and two other members of the Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs to discuss the Marianas negotiations. I would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with you at your convenience, so that I might explain informally what the Marianas hope to achieve in the negotiations and to answer any questions you may have regarding the tentative agreements which have been reached up to this point.

I look forward to hearing from your office.

Sincerely,

Howard P. Willens

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Enclosure