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Mr. Adrian Winkle Counsel, Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Affairs House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs 1522A Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Winkle:

Please send me an analysis of Section 501 of Article V of the Northern Marianas Covenant signed February 15, 1975 in Saipan. I would like to know the reasons the following sections of the U.S. Constitution apply to the Northern Marianas, as though it were a State:

Article I, Section 9, clauses 2, 3, 8 Article I, Section 10, clauses 1 and 3 Article IV, Section 1 and 2, clauses 1 and 2 Amendment 1 through 9, inclusive Amendment 13 Amendment 14, Section 1 Amendment 15 Amendment 19 Amendment 26

Also what is meant by "other provisions of or amendments to the Constitution of the United States which do not apply of their own force within the Northern Mariana Islands, will be applicable" . . (page 11). Which parts of U.S. Constitution apply of their own force?

Also on page 31, regarding eminent domain, please advise me what the extent of this power of eminent domain is, and whether it does not in effect nullify the commitment given of "no further acquisitions" on page 26.

Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

Very truly yours,

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