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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON COVENANT
SENATOR PEDRO A. TENORIO, MEMBER MPSC, HAS ASKED THAT FOLLOWING
MESSAGE BE PASSED TO PRESIDENT GERALD FORD, CONGRESSMAN PHILIP
BURTON, SECINTERIOR MORTON, AMBASSADOR F. HAYDN WILLIAMS.
BEGIN TEXT
NEED URGENT AFFIRMATIVE OR NEGATIVE RESPONSE TO FOLLOWING STATUS
QUESTIONS. BACKGROUND. MAKIANAS PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW BEFORE
PLEBISCITE WHETHER ANY OR ALL OF FOLLOWING CAN BE RE-NEGOTIATED
BEFORE JUNE 17, 1975 MARIANAS PLEBISCITE. ANSWERS WILL CLARIFY
SERIOUS DOUBTS OF PEOPLE ABOUT VOTING FOR OR AGAINST COVENANT.
1. U.S. MINIMUM WAGE. MPSC REQUESTED EXEMPTING THIS. CAN IT BE

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2. INCLUDE PROVISION IN COVENANT TO PROVIDE FAST AND FULL WAR CLAIMS COMPENSATION TO MARIANAS BEFORE NEW MARIANAS GOVERNMENT FORMED.
3. ELIMINATE U.S. EMINENT DOMAIN AUTHORITY OVER MARIANAS.
4. GUARANTEE IN COVENANT JOB PREFERENCE FOR MARIANAS PEOPLE BEFORE AND AFTER TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT TERMINATION.
5. GUARANTEE IN COVENANT MARIANAS CITIZENS TO VOTE FOR U.S. PRESIDENT.

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6. GUARANTEE IN COVENANT MARIANAS VOTING REPRESENTATIVE IN U.S. CONGRESS.
 7. MORE WRITTEN ASSURANCE AND GUARANTEE IN COVENANT THAN PRESENT PROVISIONS FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT.
 8. INCLUDE IN COVENANT PRECISE LANGUAGE TO ASSURE THAT CAROLINIANS ARE GUARANTEED TO OWN OR PURCHASE LANDS IN MARIANAS.
 9. LIMIT U.S. CONSTITUTIONAL POWER AND MAKE MARIANAS CONSTITUTION SUPREME LAW OF LAND IN MARIANAS.
 10. RE-NEGOTIATE LAND LEASE PRICES AND LEASE PERIODS.
 11. LIMIT ENTRY OF OTHER U.S. CITIZENS TO ESTABLISH PERMANENT RESIDENCY IN MARIANAS.
 12. UNILATERAL TERMINATION OF POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP. MARIANAS OPTION TO SEVERE RELATIONSHIP AT ANY TIME.
 13. INCREASE COVENANT APPROVAL IN PLEBISCITE TO 66 AND TWO-THIRD PERCENT RATHER THAN 55 PERCENT.
- EMPHASIZE AGAIN THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR RESPONSE FOR OUR PEOPLE TO INSURE VOTES ARE CAST INTELLIGENTLY IN PLEBISCITE. ALSO, MUST KNOW WHETHER RE-NEGOTIATION IS POSSIBLE BEFORE PLEBISCITE OR IN EVENT OF DISAPPROVAL BY PEOPLE WHETHER AVENUE OPEN FOR A RE-NEGOTIATION. REQUEST IMMEDIATE REPLY. SENATOR PEDRO A. TENORIO SENDS. END TEXT.

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