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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S GREETINGS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN  
MARIANA ISLANDS

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT RELEASED BY  
THE WHITE HOUSE JUNE 20.

EGIN TEXT. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXTEND  
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS MY PERSONAL  
GREETINGS AND TO CONVEY TO THEM MY PLEASURE WITH THE RESULTS  
OF THE PLEBISCITE HELD ON JUNE 17, 1975. I HAVE BEEN IN-  
FORMED THAT A SUBSTANTIAL MAJORITY HAS VOTED IN FAVOR OF  
THE COMMONWEALTH COVENANT IN FREE AND OPEN BALLOTING OBSER-  
VED BY THE UNITED NATIONS AND PRECEDED BY A FAIR AND IMPAR-  
TIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM. I WISH PERSONALLY TO CONGRATULATE  
AND COMMEND ALL OF THOSE WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CON-  
DUCT OF THE PLEBISCITE, INCLUDING THE PLEBISCITE COMMISSION-  
ER AND HIS STAFF, THE VOTER REGISTRATION BOARD AND THE  
PLEBISCITE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS HAVE NOW SPOKEN. THE  
NEXT STEP WILL BE CONSIDERATION OF THE COVENANT BY THE CON-  
GRESS OF THE UNITED STATES. I INTEND TO SUBMIT WITHOUT

DELAY THE COVENANT TO THE CONGRESS WITH MY STRONG ENDORSE-  
MENT FOR ITS EARLY FAVORABLE ACTION. IT IS MY EARNEST  
HOPE THAT WE MAY LOOK FORWARD TO FURTHER STEPS IN THE NEAR  
FUTURE WHICH WILL MOVE THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA  
ISLANDS STILL CLOSER TO THE LONG-DESIRED ULTIMATE GOAL OF  
POLITICAL UNION WITH THE UNITED STATES. I KNOW THE AMERI-  
CAN PEOPLE JOIN WITH ME IN SENDING TO THE PEOPLE OF THE  
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS OUR WARMEST REGARDS.

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