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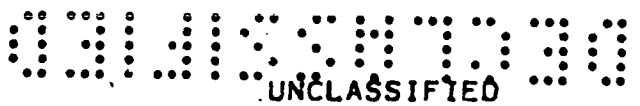
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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON MARIANAS COVENANT FOR STATUS LNO

HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRITORIAL AND INSULAR AFFAIRS WILL HOLD HEARINGS FOR MARIANAS COVENANT ON JULY 14. LETTERS FROM SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN BURTON HAVE BEEN MAILED TO COM SENATE PRESIDENT NAKAYAMA, COM SPEAKER HENRY, MDL PRESIDENT SANTOS, MPSC CHAIRMAN PANGELINAN, UCA PRESIDENT RABAULIMAN, SENATORS BORJA AND TENORIO, CONGRESSMEN GUERRERO AND RASA, FORMER CONGRESSMAN MAFNAS, POPULAR PARTY PRESIDENT GUERRERO AND TERRITORIAL PARTY CHAIRMAN PALACIOS. PLEASE INFORM ABOVE NAMED OF DATE OF HEARINGS AND CONVEY TO THEM THE TEXT OF THE LETTERS.

TEXT IS IDENTICAL EXCEPT FOR SECOND PARAGRAPH. FIRST PARA FOLLOWS: "THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRITORIAL AND INSULAR AFFAIRS WILL MEET ON MONDAY, JULY 14 TO RECEIVE TESTIMONY AND ACT UPON THE PROPOSED COVENANT TO ESTABLISH A COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS IN POLITICAL UNION WITH THE UNITED STATES." THIRD AND FOURTH PARAGRAPHS FOLLOW:

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"THE HEARING WILL BE HELD IN ROOM 1324 LONGWORTH HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING AND WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. PREPARATION OF THE WITNESS LIST FOR THE HEARING WILL BE AIDED BY YOUR INFORMING THE SUBCOMMITTEE OF YOUR INTENTIONS BY FRIDAY, JULY 11TH. ALL WITNESSES ARE ASKED TO PRESENT COPIES OF THEIR PREPARED TESTIMONY TO THE SUBCOMMITTEE PRIOR TO THE HEARING."

"MAY WE HEAR FROM YOU SOON. KINDEST PERSONAL REGARDS."

ALL LETTERS ARE SIGNED "SINCERELY, PHILLIP BURTON, CHAIRMAN SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRITORIAL AND INSULAR AFFAIRS"

SECOND PARAGRAPHS FOR MEMBERS OF MARIANAS COM DELEGATION AND FORMER CONGRESSMAN MAFNAS FOLLOWS:

"I AM INVITING ALL EL CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA FROM THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING."

SECOND PARAGRAPHS FROM REMAINING LETTERS FOLLOW:

FOR NAKAYAMA: "THE SUBCOMMITTEE WILL BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU TESTIFY AS PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, OR ANY ELECTED AND PRESENTLY SERVING MEMBER OF THE SENATE YOU DESIGNATE TO REPRESENT YOU. I CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND IF IT IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DO SO."

FOR HENRY: "THE SUBCOMMITTEE WILL BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU TESTIFY AS SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, OR ANY ELECTED AND PRESENTLY SERVING MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES YOU DESIGNATE TO REPRESENT YOU. I CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND IF IT IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DO SO."

FOR SANTOS: "AS PRESIDENT OF THE MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING, TOGETHER WITH ANY ADDITIONAL MEMBERS YOU MAY WISH TO DESIGNATE."

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FOR PANGELINAN: "AS CHAIRMAN OF THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING, TOGETHER WITH ANY MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION YOU WISH TO DESIGNATE."

FOR RABULIMAN: "AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED CAROLINIAN ASSOCIATION ON THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING."

FOR GUERRERO: "AS PRESIDENT OF THE POPULAR PARTY, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING."

FOR PALACIOS: "AS CHAIRMAN OF THE TERRITORIAL PARTY AND A MEMBER OF THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION, YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING." INGERSOLL

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