November 5, 1975

Mr. Earl T. Sato 2103 Bella Casa Street Davis, California 95616

Dear Mr. Sato:

I have and thank you for the reprint of your article conserming the citizenship provisions of the Covenant.

As you can imagine, I do not agree with all of the points you made. Nevertheless, I think you have done a commendable job, considering the complexity of the topic and the difficulty of securing the basic source material.

You may be interested in knowing that under Marianas District law, there is a one-year residency requirement for eligibility to register and vote in local elections, compare pp. 466-67 of your article. And it has always been my understanding that the relationship envisioned between Micronesia and the United States would not be that of an unincorporated territory, since, among other things, the United States would not have sovereignty in Micronesia under a Compact of Free Association.

Very truly yours,

Michael S. Helfer

2103 Bella Casa Street Davis, California 95616 October 27, 1975

Mr. Michael S. Helfer Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering 1666 K Street, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Helfer:

Enclosed is a reprint of my law review article on the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. I am sorry for the delay, but we did not receive the volume and reprints until this month. The volume of the law review was published much later than the law review staff had envisioned.

I am afraid my article is dated already because of congressional action on the Covenant. Still, I would appreciate any comments you might have on the article. regret that the volume topic precluded me from writing on other aspects of the creation of the commonwealth.

I have taken the liberty of enclosing a brochure for the volume of our law review. If you or any of your associates would be interested in purchasing the current volume or past volumes of the U.C.D. law review, we would be happy to fill your order.

Again, thank you very much for your assistance in this project.

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