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"To the Honorable Charles H. Percy:

On behalf of the people of the Marianas we respectfully extend an invitation to you to visit the islands of the Marianas and to meet and talk to our people. We have been encouraged by your genuine interest in our people and our political future, and we hope that you will find it possible to encourage early action by the United States Senate to approve the Covenant for a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. We believe that a visit by you to the Marianas will assist you in your deliberations concerning the Covenant, and we urge you to come here if it is at all possible. We would be greatly honored to have you visit our islands. A letter signed by many of the leaders of the Marianas urging you to visit us has been sent and should be received by your office shortly. A visit before the U.S. Congress reconvenes would enable you to assess our hope for urgent consideration of the Covenant, and would be most welcome.

Senator Pedro A. Tenorio and Edward DLG. Pangelinan,  
Chairman, Marianas Political Status Commission."

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