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Dear Howard:

Well here I am, somewhere over the Great Plains. Onward to Saipan!

By all means feel free to advise me on any directions you think I should be taking. I am still the neophyte on the whole NMI situation. My instincts I think are creditable in trying to establish a viable administrative infrastructure, but I would distinctly welcome you sage counsel.

Ed Pangelinan shares my concern over the capacity of the Commonwealth legislature to handle the extensive legislative agenda that will be thrust upon them. This implies a good committee structure and operating procedures, as well as the development of a sound professional staff. I want to hit hard with Pete Tenorio and others on this.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Howard

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