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MESSAGE:

Herman:

Dave Cahn is headed back your way for about a month. He should be arriving on Monday or Tuesday. He has reviewed the Constitution in detail and has a lot of comments. I have talked with him on the phone and explained why there are no problems with the language on which he has focused. Because he may advise the Governor on this, I decided to write down his comments and the explanations I gave him so you will have the necessary information in case any of these things come up before we get back there.

These comments deal with Articles 1-9 which have always been his main focus. He is going to fax the rest of his comments on Articles 10-19 when he gets back to Saipan.

Cahn says the Governor is happy with the Constitution except for (1) gambling; (2) the succession rule on judges; (3) the election rule on judges; (4) the residency requirement for the Secretary of Education. Overall, Cahn says the Convention's efforts are a "tour de force" and he is highly complimentary about many specific provisions.

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