

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

WASHINGTON

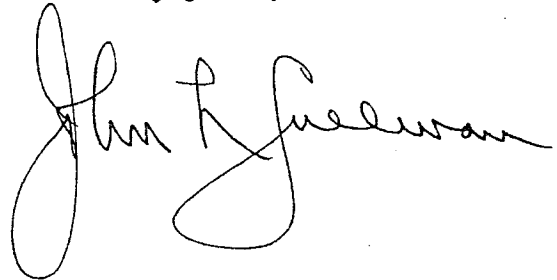
17 March 1948

Dear Mr. President:

On February 17, 1948, the General Assembly of American Samoa, meeting at Fagatogo, unanimously adopted a resolution petitioning the President and the Congress of the United States to defer action on organic legislation affecting American Samoa for a period of ten years or more. The Assembly further requested that civil administration of American Samoa be continued under jurisdiction of the Navy Department.

I am forwarding herewith a copy of the Resolution in accordance with the expressed wish of the Samoan Assembly.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John H. Goodwin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and end.

The President,

The White House.

