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My dear Mr. Secretary:

I am in receipt of Assistant Secretary of Interior William E. Warne's letter of August 31, 1949, transmitting memoranda of understanding between the Interior and Navy Departments which set forth time schedules and plans for effecting the transfer of administrative responsibility for American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

The date for the transfers of administrative responsibility for American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, respectively, from the Navy Department to the Interior Department, July 1, 1951, and the proposed plans for accomplishing these transfers have my approval.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Secretary of the Interior.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) HARRY S. T. JAN

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Navy x1285-6

(cc: Secretary of State
Director, Bureau of the Budget)

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