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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am requesting that the Department of the Interior take responsibility for a study to determine the educational needs and most suitable educational concept for a college to serve the Micronesian community in accordance with Public Law 94-255.

The Department of the Interior should consult with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare on those aspects of the study which relate specifically to educational matters.

Such a study and recommendations are to be transmitted to the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the Senate and House of Representatives no later than March 31, 1977, for approval or disapproval prior to the appropriation of funds for the construction of buildings.

Please keep the Office of Management and Budget advised of the status and progress of this project.

Sincerely,

GERALD R. FORD

The Honorable Forrest David Mathews
Secretary of Health, Education,
and Welfare
Washington, D.C. 20201

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