

DRAFT

Dear Governor Camacho:

The President has asked me to reply to your letter of July 13, 1979 regarding the applicability of the Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976, as amended, to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

As you know an Interagency Task Force on Territorial Policy is currently examining all aspects of the relationships between the United States Government and the territories of the United States and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. A particular emphasis of the study is an examination of the methods by which the United States Government can best encourage economic development. This may include reconsideration of any Federal laws that pose impediments to economic growth in the territories and the Trust Territory.

A copy of your letter and the position paper prepared by your Fishery Task Force has been forwarded to the Task Force for consideration during the preparation of their report. I understand that a copy of the Task Force's draft reports will be transmitted to you upon completion with a request for your comments.

Sincerely,

Jack H. Watson, Jr.  
Assistant to the President  
for Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honorable Carlos S. Camacho  
Governor of the Commonwealth  
of Northern Mariana Islands  
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Betty:

Please retype as a draft  
and send to Regina w/  
a cover note from me.

Attached is a draft letter  
as per your request. I'll appreciate  
receiving all correspondence  
regarding the territories.

Key a copy of this for  
our files + ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~  
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Also let's send a copy  
(over)

to Barbara Heller,  
Deputy Undersecretary of Int.  
~~...~~ (Just Canache's  
letter + position paper)  
w/ a cover note from  
me saying

This should be taken  
into consideration by the  
Interagency Task Force on  
Territorial Policy.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

7/26

Jeff:

Per our conversation yesterday,  
attached is the Gov. Camacho  
ltr & resolution re the  
Fishery Conversation and  
Management Act.

Would you be able to draft  
a response for Jack's signature?

Thanks.

Regina Purcell  
Jack Watson's office  
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I - INCOMING  
Received Date: 790723  
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Name: Carlos S. Comacho

MI Mail Report      User Codes: (A) \_\_\_\_\_ (B) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Requests suspension of the application of the  
fishery conservation + management act to the waters  
within + adjacent to the Commonwealth of the Northern  
Mariana Islands.

ROUTE TO:		ACTION		DISPOSITION			
Office/Agency	Last Name	Refer Type	Action Code	Date YYYYMMDD	Response	Code	Date
<u>IB</u>	<u>Watson</u>	<u>O</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>790724</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>790724</u>
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		<u>R</u>			<u>Jack Watson signature</u>		

REFER TYPE: A - Agency      S - Staff      ACTION CODES: A - Appropriate Action      C - Comments      D - Draft Response      F - Fact Sheet      I - Info Copy      N - No Action      R - Direct Reply w/Copy      S - For Signature      X - Interim Response      DISPOSITION CODES: A - Acknowledged      C - Completed      S - Suspended

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