



The People

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Re: Decolonization Registry Program at UOG

Håfa Adai, Dr. Underwood,

For the last three years, my office has maintained a very active role in recruiting Registration Clerks and in calling for the public to register for the Decolonization Registry. I continue to explore other ways in which more educational outreach programs and registration events may take place, and I am kindly requesting your assistance with this effort. I ask this knowing you have always maintained a very profound support for self-determination of the Chamoru people.

I would like to encourage the involvement of eligible staff, faculty, and students at the University of Guam (University) with moving this effort forward by creating an outreach program at the university. By doing so, I anticipate that your representatives will formally present the reasons behind building up the Registry, the process of registering, and the outcome of accomplishing the Registry numbers. The University will then serve as an additional outlet for students and the public to learn more about the entire process which will foster more discourse on the subject.

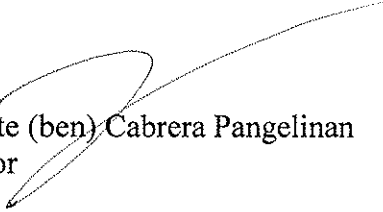
Everyone in my staff has been deputized as Registration Clerks and is happy to help with this endeavor should you choose to entertain this proposal. The Guam Election Commission has also been very supportive in scheduling convenient meeting times at their office and at off-site locations to deputize interested parties, and I am sure they will entertain the request to add more volunteer Registration Clerks based at the University.

I hope you will consider this request very soon as many of our people have already left the island, and it becomes more difficult to make contact with them. This dilemma only delays progress in reaching the goal of the Registry. Suffice it to say that as the diaspora of Chamorus continues to grow, our chances of fulfilling the Registry as a requisite to the decolonization plebiscite lessens.

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I look forward to your favorable response and more discussion of this proposal. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at 473-4236/7.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse',


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Senator

Cc: Guam Election Commission
Commission on Decolonization