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TO: The President
FROM: Secretary of the Interior

Problem: We have received from the Honorable William F. Quinn, Governor of Hawaii, a radiogram stating his belief that early planning for a year-long celebration of Hawaii's admission as a State of the Union will help to stimulate greater public support of statehood legislation and at the same time emphasize Hawaii's role in the Pacific.

Discussion: Governor Quinn has called a Territory-wide citizens' conference to make plans now for the proposed celebration and has requested an expression of your endorsement of the celebration proposal, to be presented at the convening of the conference on February 7.

A proposed radiogram has been prepared for your signature (Tab A).

Implementation: None

Recommendation: That you sign the attached radiogram.

Concurrence: None required.

John A. Seaton

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