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The Honorable Eddie Baza Calvo
Governor of Guam Public School System
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Subject: **URGENT Roundtable Discussion on Utilization of Tiyan**

Dear Governor Calvo:

Hafa Adai! Over the past month high school principals have been developing a plan for utilizing the Tiyan facilities, which are currently being used as an interim site for the JFK High School. Through careful analysis of the benefits to our students, the principals strongly recommended using Tiyan as a high school that will decrease the student population at George Washington High School. That plan has been transmitted to Vince Leon Guerrero, your Senior Special Assistant and was also shared by Deputy Superintendent Arlene Unpingco during a meeting at Speaker Won Pat's office last week. Unfortunately, to date a decision has yet to be made on our proposal.

I am sure that you are aware of the complexities involved with preparing for the opening of schools. Class schedules must be developed for students, the recruitment and assignment of personnel must be completed as soon as possible and collateral equipment must be ordered immediately. As such, a decision must be made before April 29th if our educators are to be provided enough time to prepare for the opening of SY 2011 - 2012.

Because of the urgency of this matter, I am inviting you to a roundtable discussion with Speaker Judith Won Pat and Senator Ben Pangelinan on Friday, April 22, 2011 at 9 AM in the DOE Conference Room. I hope we can come to a timely decision on the utilization of Tiyan on behalf of our students.

Please feel free to contact me at 482-9355. Thank you.

Senseramente,

Nerissa Underwood
for **FRANCIS E. SANTOS**
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