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Dear Dr.

From the middle of the Pacific as one of your troops on foreign service, I adress you. The news of Robert Kennedy has been sad. The Democratic Nomiee will no doubt beethe Vice President. He is our friend, but can he beat Nixon. I am sure you will be in the thick of the battle.

I want to thank you for whatever pushing and shoving I am sure you did. The kids are enjoying Samoa. I am getting along well with the Legislature but have some trouble with the Executive as the Legislative seeks to take some powers away from the Governor. But I am not concerned, and I do what I must do. I have no personal ax to grind.

The first the Legislative Session was for me the busiest 40 days I have ever lived. Work just poured and Ialiad to do all the drafting, and then the proof reading. During the day I had committee meetings to attend and testimony to give.

The latest News Bulletin told me you were back in Corpus Christi. Our country paid you tribute thru your U.N. Appointment and you have served well. Keep the home fires burning now and the troops moving.

Your Friend, VELASCO EL A.