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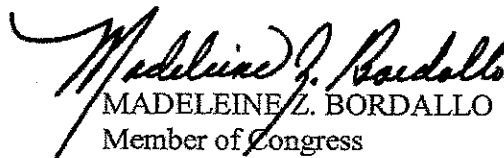
Dear Senator San Nicolas,

I write in response to your letter of January 17, 2013 requesting that I introduce legislation to include Guam as a domestic shipping destination for goods from the contiguous United States. I appreciate your contacting me regarding this matter.

Current federal law places Guam outside the U.S. customs zone and is consistent with previous preferences expressed by our local leaders. Because of this classification, U.S. companies may not consider Guam a domestic destination for their business purposes. I recognize the frustrations that this classification has caused to members of our community, and I am open to having a broader discussion with you and our elected officials regarding our customs zone. However it is important for local leaders to fully consider the ramifications and potential impacts that including Guam in the U.S. customs zone will have on our community.

I would like to discuss this matter further with you during my next district visit. Please have your staff contact my District Scheduler, Cecilia Blas, at cecilia.blas@mail.house.gov or 477-4272 to arrange this meeting. Again, thank you for contacting me regarding this matter, and I look forward to working with you on issues important to our island.

Sincerely,


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