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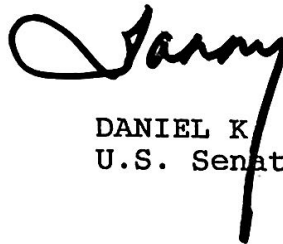
Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred Kaupiko  
SR1, Box 9  
Captain Cook, HI 96704

Dear Willie and Anita:

It was my pleasure to see you today, Tuesday, June 15, 1993. Mahalo nui loa for the chocolate covered macadamia nuts and Kona chips. They are special treats for me and my staff, and we greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Mahalo again for your kindness. If there is anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Aloha pumehana,



DANIEL K. AKAKA  
U.S. Senator

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July 13, 1993

Mr. Wilfred Kaupiko  
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Dear Mr. Kaupiko:

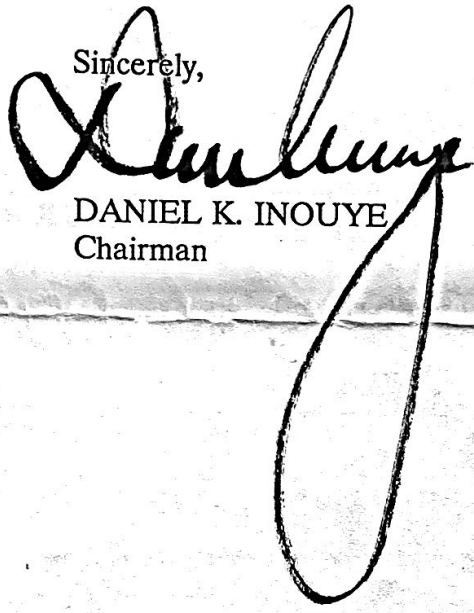
I write to thank you for testifying before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs regarding the Indian Fish and Wildlife Resource Management Act of 1993. I was very pleased with your testimony on the specific needs of the fishing community of Miloli'i. Your testimony, in conjunction with the testimony of Ms. Kitty Simonds of WESTPAC and the written testimony of the Molokai Native Hawaiian Community and Mr. Graydon "Buddy" Keale, clearly established the need for the inclusion of Native Hawaiians in the Indian Fish and Wildlife Resource Management Act of 1993.

I have directed Committee staff to incorporate the changes which were suggested at the two day hearing into the draft measure, including the development of a separate title for Native Hawaiians. Once this process is complete, I will be submitting the draft measure to you for your review and comment. I would anticipate that this process would be completed in time for introduction prior to the Congress' August recess.

I am fully aware of the difficult dilemmas facing Native Hawaiians with respect to subsistence hunting rights, particularly on Moloka'i and the Big Island, and of the need to revitalize the fishponds and fishery resources. I commend the good faith efforts of the State in attempting to address these issues through the creation of the Moloka'i Subsistence Task Force and the Governor's Task Force on Fishponds. The State's ongoing efforts raise the difficult question of whether the Committee should undertake to formulate a more comprehensive bill specifically addressing Native Hawaiian fish and wildlife concerns at this time, or whether the Committee should await state resolution on some of these matters. Establishing a separate title for Native Hawaiian fishery demonstration projects in the bill is a viable option because a number of Native Hawaiian communities would directly benefit. The proven successes of these fishery demonstration projects in the years ahead would then lay sufficient foundation for development of a more comprehensive bill which would also address wildlife issues.

Once again, I thank you for submitting testimony on the need to include Native Hawaiians in the Indian Fish and Wildlife Enhancement Act of 1993, and I assure that this is something which the Committee will be pursuing in the weeks ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Inouye". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

DANIEL K. INOUE  
Chairman