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Mrs. María Elena A. Cruz
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Dear Elena:

It is hard to believe that we have less than a month until Mrs. Aquino's visit to Eugene! Time certainly is moving quickly, and the questions continue to arise. First, I would appreciate your sending me statistics on Mrs. Aquino's height and approximate hat size so that we can order an appropriately sized robe and cap for her to wear at Commencement. Second, I have been assuming that Mrs. Aquino and her two companions would prefer non-smoking rooms at the hotel, but I would like inquire whether that is indeed the case.

Finally, today I was approached by an assistant of Ms. Maria Stanley, of Portland, Oregon, who apparently is interested in meeting Mrs. Aquino during her visit to Eugene. I understand that Mrs. Aquino is likewise interested in meeting Ms. Stanley and instructed Ms. Stanley to contact me. I wanted to consult with you before making any commitments on Mrs. Aquino's behalf. The most obvious opportunities for the two women to spend some time together seem to me to be those times reserved for Mrs. Aquino's personal time, including the remainder of Friday, June 9, after Mrs. Aquino's arrival in Eugene and from 2:00 to 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 10. Is Mrs. Aquino agreeable to meeting with Ms. Stanley during one of those times? I understand that Ms. Stanley is interested in taking Mrs. Aquino to dinner at one of our local restaurants, which suggests that Friday night may be a good time for this purpose. On the other hand, if Mrs. Aquino prefers to protect her personal time, I could inform Ms. Stanley of the public reception planned for Sunday afternoon and suggest that she meet Mrs. Aquino there. Please let me know how Mrs. Aquino would like to approach this issue, and I will work with Ms. Stanley to arrange all the appropriate details.

Thank you very much for your assistance and advice.

Sincerely,

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