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Memorandum to Mr. McCloy:

Assistant Attorney General Norman Littell has spoken to me about the appointment of the new governor for Hawaii. He says that Stainback is well regarded by the various departments in Washington. The matter comes directly under Secretary Ickes, and he believes that Ickes is in favor of Stainback. Stainback is also favored by the Department of Justice, having been United States Attorney in Hawaii and now being a judge in Hawaii. He does not know what the attitude of the War Department is on the matter. He believes that Dillingham, who is said to have a great deal of influence in Hawaii, might influence General Emmons against Stainback. He hopes that the War Department will go along with the appointment of Stainback.

Robert P. Patterson,  
Under Secretary of War.

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