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Mr. E. Robert Scrofani  
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Dear Mr. Scrofani:

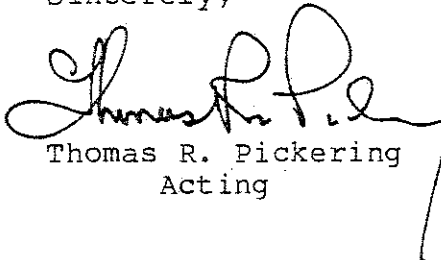
Your letter of January 6, 1981 to Secretary Muskie has been referred to me for reply. I read with considerable interest your "Response to the Global 2000 Task Force on Resources and Environment," and have noted the special importance that you attach to land-use issues. In this regard, you might be interested to know that this Bureau -- through secondment of one of its officers -- has been working with the staff of the National Agricultural Lands Study (NALS) for more than one year. The NALS effort has been carried out under the co-chairmanship of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality. Its final report was released only a few days ago, and should be available for public sale by the Government Printing Office within the near future.

With our limited involvement in NALS and our major association with the Council on Environmental Quality in the Global 2000 project, we feel that at least a start has been made toward increasing public awareness of these land, food, population and related environmental issues both in the United States and abroad. Your thoughtful analysis supports this view.

I have forwarded your paper to our Office of Food and Natural Resources so that its staff members will be able to acquaint themselves with your suggestions.

Thank you for your kind regards to Secretary Muskie and for sharing your ideas with us.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas R. Pickering  
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