

MOVIMIENTO PUERTORRIQUEÑO
REUNIFICACIONISTA CON ESPAÑA



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U.S House of Representatives
Natural Resources Committee
Office of Insular Affairs
Legislative Hearing on HR 1522 & HR 2070

Dear Chairman Raúl Grijalva and Members of the Committee:

My name is Manuel A. Rugama Amparo, Vice President of the Movimiento Puertorriqueño Reunificacionista con España- MPRE (*Puerto Rican Reunification Movement with Spain*). Today I am speaking on behalf of the MPRE, a political association which is a legally registered in the Department of State of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and all of its members.

We are requesting to consider the inclusion of the option of Reunification with Spain as one of the valid options available for the Island in this hearing and in future hearings on HR 1522 & HR 2070.

The Province of Puerto Rico was invaded by the United States in 1898 without any justification. One million of Puerto Ricans were separated from their true nation and stripped from their spanish citizenship, a citizenship that emanated from the spanish constitution of 1876 which was the current constitution of the Province of Puerto Rico at the time of the US occupation. The Province of Puerto Rico never declared its independence from Spain.

Puerto Ricans have the sacred right to claim the reincorporation of the Island to their Spanish nation due to the fact that the island was separated by an act of war and the imposition of the Treaty of Paris.

Thank you for your attention,

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