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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KAYSEN


SUBJECT: Educational Program for the Trust Territory

Apropos to our discussion this morning, several things have occurred to me.

1. Senator Long of Hawaii is known for his interest in the problems of the South Pacific. Recently he was head of the U.S. Delegation to the Western Samoan independence celebrations. Senator Long might be helpful (also flattered) if we asked him if the University of Hawaii could assist in drafting the kind of imaginative educational program you have in mind--geared to the problems and physical characteristics of Micronesia. I think it likely that the school of education at the University would have some people (possibly even Polynesian in origin) who would be real technicians in this sort of program planning and teacher training.

2. The educational consultants working with AID might also be pulled into this problem because it is essentially a problem in developing a program for a primitive area.

3. As you know, the Peace Corps is contemplating some sort of a program in the field of elementary education in the Trust Territory. It is hoped that their program planning is being meshed with the other planning going on in Interior and the Navy. This question could very well arise in the Appropriations Subcommittee and should be anticipated.


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