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March 21, 1963

NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 229.

TO: The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Secretary of the Interior
The Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare

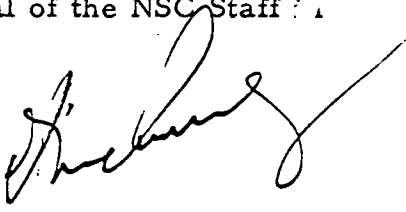
SUBJECT: Pacific Trust Territories

Since more than a year has passed since the Task Force for the Pacific Trust Territories was established under NSAM No. 145, I would very much appreciate having a report on the progress we have made toward our objectives for the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands. I am particularly interested in progress on the following areas:

1. The situation in the United Nations Trusteeship Council and the Committee of 24.
2. Opening up of the Territories to the outside world.
3. Educational programs for the Territories.
4. Economic development for the Territories.
5. The status of Congressional appropriations for the Territories including the various claim bills.
6. Status of legislation affecting the Territories, including the adjustment of the status of the Territories under the various domestic and foreign assistance programs.
7. Additional steps we should take to prepare the Trust Territories for an eventual plebiscite.

Would you please contact Mr. Forrestal of the NSC Staff in making arrangements for this report.

cc: Mrs. Lincoln
Mr. Bundy
Mr. Forrestal
Mr. Johnson
NSC Files


cc: Secretary of the Treasury
Director, Bureau of the Budget