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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MICHAEL V. FORESTAL, SENIOR STAFF MEMBER, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: HARM 268

With reference to your memorandum indicating that the President would appreciate being informed of the NSC recommendation with respect to fixing the date for a plebiscite in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands and the public announcement thereof, the Department of Defense makes the following recommendations and comments.

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Regarding the timing of the public announcement, the DOD defers to the judgment of the Departments of State and Interior.

It should be noted that the DOD would view with concern any relaxation of the entry permit for foreign nationals before the plebiscite.

The Survey Mission Report was quite comprehensive and objective, and should serve as an excellent guide in implementing the policy established in HRM 145.

SIGNED
Date
Secretary

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