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I told you two or three weeks ago about a conversation relating to U.S. Pacific island territories which Walt Rostow and I had with Mr. Jack Rosenthal of the Civil Aeronautics Board. Mr. Rosenthal headed a team which investigated air transportation requirements in the Pacific Islands. As he promised, Mr. Rosenthal has submitted to us the attached paper setting down the views he presented orally.

His views with respect to Okinawa seem to me to be based upon the very unrealistic premise that we can reverse historical trends and draw Okinawa away from Japan and toward the United States. However, since this subject is covered, I am sending a copy of this memo and his paper to Bob Fearey and Dick Petree for whatever interest it may have to them.

I do think his views on the other Pacific islands, while perhaps not unique, are very worthy of consideration. He also has some ideas for breaking the bureaucratic impasse on this issue by creating a commission which would include political figures like Governor Burns and Governor Lee.

I would suggest that it might be worthwhile for you to invite Mr. Rosenthal to come to the Department to discuss his paper with a small informal group, including representatives of IO as well as S/P and FE.

cc: S/P - Mr. Rostow  
Mr. Lindley  
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