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Dear Mr. Anderson:

We have given careful consideration to the request contained in your letter of January 31, 1967, that Part II of the Solomon Report on the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands be declassified.

After a thorough review of Part II, and in light of the reasons for declassification advanced in your letter, we agree that on balance the interests of the United States Government may be better served by making available to the public this section of the Report. We have also taken another look at Part III of the Report and with minor deletions, would have no objection to its declassification.

In arriving at an appropriately sanitized text of Parts II and III, we believe that the deletions which are specified in the attachment to this letter are required either because of political considerations or to avoid reference to Part I of this Report or to other Reports still classified. Our list of deletions includes most but not all of the deletions proposed in the attachment to Mrs. Van Cleave's letter of August 4, 1964, as well as others. I would suggest that members of our respective staffs might meet to discuss any problems caused by these proposed additional deletions.

We shall await with interest the results of your consultations with the Department of Defense and other interested agencies.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph J. Sisco

Enclosure:
Proposed Deletions in
Parts II and III

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PART II

Section A

Page 6, lines 19-20, delete "political as well as a"; line 21 delete "and partly"

Page 8, lines 1-2, delete "for this reason they tend to be more receptive to closer association with the United States."

Page 9, lines 4-5, delete "both US objectives and"

Page 13, line 6, delete "political"; lines 6-7, delete "toward the US."

Page 14, lines 5-6, delete "as are these deliberately collected for information to be included in official reports."

Page 26, line 11, delete sentence beginning "The political implications..."

Page 42, line 9, delete, "political and"

Page 48, line 13, substitute "prevalent" for "fostered"; line 14, substitute "modern" for "American"

Page 49, line 20, delete sentence beginning "In addition, Micronesians..."

Page 50, line 3, delete "as domestic help"

Page 51, line 3, delete "both"; lines 4-5, delete, "in the interim before the plebiscite and for the long-run objective in the post-plebiscite period"

Page 74, line 15, delete sentence beginning "Certainly it would..."

Page 94, line 19, delete sentence beginning "Foreign tourists from Asia..."

Page 95, line 7, delete sentence beginning "In the short run..."

Page 101, line 9, delete sentence beginning "The Mission feels..."
line 8, delete sentence beginning "After a resolution..."; line 23, delete, "such as the Hawaiians were in Hawaii"

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Page 105, lines 16-17, delete "from the viewpoint of U.S. political interests."

Page 124, lines 8-9, delete "and closer ties with the United States."

Section B

Page 64, line 18, delete "both"; lines 18-20, delete "and for the very favorable political impact among the Micronesians of this image of the U.S. military."

Page 120, line 11, delete "permanent"; line 12, delete sentence beginning "Considering the particular..."

Page 130, line 19, delete asterisk and footnote at the bottom of the page

Page 131, lines 2-3, delete "in terms of the future relationships (of Micronesians) to the United States" and footnote at the bottom of the page.

Page 135, lines 16-17, delete "the Task Force recommendation for a single school system and"

Page 149, line 8, delete sentence beginning "In addition to..."

Page 154, line 2, delete sentence beginning "The attitude of..."; lines 16-17, delete "5. Programs designed to help orient and integrate Micronesians into a form of relationship with the United States."

Page 155, line 9, delete, "proposed in Part F"

Page 170, line 18, delete "The 1961 Task Force suggested"; line 20, insert "has been suggested" after the word "program"

Page 179, delete all sentences, insert "Since the Mission did not include in its membership any public health or medical expert, it directed its major efforts in the Public Health sector to two problems it judges critical:

1. Capital funding necessary to provide adequate health and medical facilities;
2. Securing American professional staff.

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Page 184, line 5, delete "as well as greater political impact."; line 8, delete "both" and "the greater political impact and"

Page 185, line 13, delete "given U.S. political objectives."

Page 195, line 7, delete "not only"; line 10-12, delete "but would also have a favorable net political impact in the Districts and an even stronger favorable political impact on the forthcoming Micronesian Territorial Legislature."

PART III

Page 209, line 1, delete sentence beginning "The current United States administration..."; line 2, delete "more"; line 3, insert "of U.S. administration of the Trust Territory" after the word "organization"; lines 4-5, delete reference to Part I; line 7, delete "As noted in Part I."

Page 216, line 15, delete sentence beginning "For example, the Mission..."; line 18, delete sentence beginning "Yet, it would..."

Page 217, line 18, delete reference to Part I; line 22, delete, "created by NEAM No. 145"

Page 222, lines 11-12, delete "and until such time as Congress enacts an organic act for the government of the Trust Territory."

Page 245, line 12, delete "the" and replace with "appropriate" before the word "standards"; line 13, delete "expected of non-resident personnel."

We suggest an asterisk be added on the cover after "Volume II" and that a footnote indicate that Volume I is not available.

We have not urged deletion of several references to the military facilities on Eniwetok Atoll, leaving that matter to Defense.

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