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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HARRY H. ALMOND, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Subj: Proposed Organic Act for Micronesia

Ref: (a) Your memo dated 6 August 1969

Encl: (1) JAG Memo for Chief of Naval Operations JAG:102.1:MRD:nle
Ser 0056 of 18 July 1969
(2) U.N. Trusteeship Council Doc. T/PET.10/54 of 21 March 1969

1. This Office has recently completed a detailed review of subject act for the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations (OP-612). Enclosure (1) is a copy of such review which is forwarded for your use in response to the request contained in reference (a).
2. Paragraph 1 of enclosure (1) discusses those portions of subject act considered of importance to the Department of Defense. The aspects of the proposals concerning subject act mentioned in reference (a) are commented upon in paragraphs 3 and 4 of enclosure (1). These comments attempt to point out matters which should be considered in determining when and if a plebiscite would be desirable. The apparent sentiment of the Micronesians in this area is expressed in enclosure (2), a resolution of the Senate of the Congress of Micronesia submitted to the U.N. Trusteeship Council on 12 March 1969. This document if still reflecting the valid feelings of the Micronesians demonstrates the need to give careful consideration prior to the holding of a plebiscite.

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