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TO: ~~WTO~~ - Mr. DePalma
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FROM: U - Morton Abramowitz

SUBJECT: Micronesia -- Selection of Governor

The Under Secretary has reviewed the various memos and asked me to convey the following: he would like to accept, on a planning basis pending further evidence on Micronesian and congressional attitudes, the current Interior formulation, i.e.,

-- a Governor appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate of Micronesia;

-- provision in the draft act for a popularly elected executive within a specified period of time.

On the latter point, he has no objections to a further effort to obtain Interior agreement to a period of less than 10 years provided such a commitment seems attainable in the Congress.

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