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SUBJ: TRUST TERRITORY OF PACIFIC ISLANDS

1. PROFESSOR JAMES DAVIDSON TELEPHONED EMBOFF TODAY TO ADVISE THAT MICRONESIAN STATUS COMMISSION HAS ASKED HIM, BY TELEGRAM, TO COME TO SAIPAN NEXT WEEK IN CONNECTION FORTHCOMING TALKS BETWEEN COMMISSION AND "WASHINGTON OFFICIALS." DAVIDSON WILL SERVE AS CONSULTANT TO COMMISSION. TELEGRAM FROM SENATOR SALII, COMMISSION'S CHAÏRMAN, DID NOT INDICATE WHO WASHINGTON OFFICIALS WILL BE, NOR NATURE OF TALKS. EMBOFF TOLD DAVIDSON WE HAD NO INFORMATION.

2. ALTHOUGH WE ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION ASSIST DAVIDSON IN THIS REGARD, HE HAS BEEN HELPFUL SOURCE IN PAST AND WE WOULD LIKE

OFFER SOME INFORMATION. REQUEST DEPARTMENT, BY PRIORITY TELEGRAM, PROVIDE ADVICE ON SUBJECTS LIKELY BE DISCUSSED AND COMPOSITION WASHINGTON DELEGATION.

3. ASIDE FROM ASSISTING DAVIDSON INSOFAR AS AGREEABLE TO WASH-INGTON AUTHORITIES WE WOULD LIKE INFORM, AS MATTER OF COURTESY, FOUR-POWER GROUP OF FACT OF TALKS WITH SUCH DETAIL AS DEPART-MENT BELIEVES CAN BE PASSED ON AT THIS TIME. RICE

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