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1. As Davidson will presumably be informed by Senator Salii, USG-Micronesian talks now postponed probably until May 4. While exact composition US delegation still uncertain, you may inform Davidson that, as in October discussions Washington, it will be chaired by Asst Secy Interior Loesch with representatives of State and Defense present.

2. You may further inform Davidson subject of talks is future of TTPI and specifically exploration Micronesian expressed preference to seek status of self-government in association with US. Interested Departments still considering specifics of US approach at this next meeting

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but main US effort will be to clarify our position on nature of relationship. Most of our position has already been presented to Micronesians, but we are not certain all elements, including areas of flexibility, are fully understood. ~~XXXXXX~~

3. Re info for four-power group, briefing provided UN Visiting Mission, including Australian and UK reps, and similar info later given New Zealand Embassy rep (Williams), is as much as we can usefully say at this time. Copy of memo for record on Visiting Mission briefing and briefing notes used by IO Asst Secy De Palma follow by pouch. If Embassy believes useful, same material may be presented to four-power group. ~~XXXXXX~~

4. Dept will keep Davidson and four-power group in mind in course of policy consideration prior to departure US delegation for Saipan and will pass on any info which we believe could be released in advance. FYI Dept and ]

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Interior believe US should avoid even appearance of getting between Micronesians and Davidson -- i.e. since he is advisor to Micronesians, US should not be providing him info which Micronesians themselves not giving him. Therefore probably unwise for USG go beyond paras 1 and 2 unless Davidson should have specific questions as result info he receives from Micronesians. END FYI.

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