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REF: USUN (A) 1078; (B) 1123; (C) A-651, April 27, 71  
and (D) HICOMTERPACIS 300422Z Apr 71

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SUBJ: Comite of 24 - US Territories and TTPI

1. Following is guidance for Mission response to two notes transmitted ref C:

a. Note on visiting missions: Mission should simply respond with offer to meet with Chairman at time convenient to Mission. Dept sees no need in this reply to deal with substance of USG position on visiting missions or with distinction between US Terrs and TTPI. Former point covered in February 9 letter cited CARRILLO by ~~XXXXXX~~ and latter better handled in response to second note. Whenever meeting arranged, Mission rep should, of course, reiterate USG position as before.

b. Note on Comite consideration of US administered

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territories: Dept agrees with Mission recommendation (ref A) that response to this note is appropriate place to make distinction clear re USG position on participation in consideration of US Terrs vs TTPI. In addition to pointing out Charter assignment of responsibility for TTPI to SC and subsequently to TC, and not to GA, Mission response should draw attention to distinction made in Mission note of 11 January 1971 announcing withdrawal from Comite. I.E. we acknowledged Charter commitment to submit info on all US administered terrs (in case of TTPI to TC) but we only agreed participate, if invited, in Comite consideration of US Terrs - i.e. Response should make explicit that Guam, Virgin Islands and American Samoa./ US participation in consideration of TTPI will therefore be limited to UN bodies having Charter responsibility - namely SC and TC.

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2. Re Comite consideration of visiting mission to TTPI (refs A and B), Dept continues to hope that USG response to Comite and concurrently to Congress of Micronesia can be delayed as long as possible. Dept views on this point reinforced by latest reporting from TTPI POLAD (ref D). Further Mission views on timing of response in light of Comite action this week and considering implications for forthcoming Trusteeship Council session will be appreciated.

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