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FROM POLAD 37C. INTERIOR FOR OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS  
NEGOTIATIONS AND ASST. SECRETARY LDESCH. COMTWELVE FOR AMBASSADOR  
WILLIAMS. STATE FOR IO/UNP AND S/PC (GRANT). DEFENSE FOR OSD/ISA  
AND JCS. CINCPAC FOR POLAD. WHITE HOUSE FOR MR. HOLDRIDGE (NSC).  
SUBJECT: MICRONESIAN FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS DEVELOPMENTS  
1. FOLLOWING MISC. STATUS DEVELOPMENTS SINCE HANA TALKS WILL BE OF  
IMMEDIATE INTEREST TO MOST ADDRESSEES.  
2. "SECRECY" OF TALKS. WHATEVER HOPE THERE MAY HAVE BEEN THAT DETAIL  
OF HANA TALKS WOULD BE HELD CONFIDENTIAL IS RAPIDLY EVAPORATING GIVEN

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UNFOLDING OF EVENTS HERE.

A) OCTOBER 17 EDITION HONOLULU ADVERTISER CARRIED FULL TEST MAJOR  
SEGMENTS AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS' OPENING STATEMENT AT HANA TOGETHER WITH  
ANALYTICAL ARTICLE BY JOHN GRIFFIN WHICH CONTAINED QUOTES FROM NUMBER  
OTHER STATEMENTS BY AMBASSADOR AND SALII. GRIFFIN CLEARLY HAS FULL SE  
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TRANSCRIPTS. THESE AND ANY FUTURE "REVELATIONS" WILL HAVE WIDE  
CIRCULATION IN TTPI, PARTICULARLY SINCE GUAM NEWSPAPER LIKELY ALSO  
CARRY ALL STORIES FROM HONOLULU NEWSPAPERS.

B) ALTHOUGH CARL HEINE (STATUS COMMITTEE STAFFDIRECTOR) CLAIMS HIS  
COMMITTEE WILL NOT COMPLETE AND RELEASE ANY REPORT UNTIL AFTER NEXT

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ROUND OF TALKS (ASSUMING LATTER WILL BE BEFORE JANUARY CONGRESSIONAL SESSION), HE HAS ALREADY AGREED TO WRITE ARTICLE ON HANA TALKS FOR DECEMBER ISSUE "MICRONESIAN REPORTER" MAGAZINE. DRAFT ARTICLE WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ME IN EARLY NOVEMBER WHEN RECEIVED BY REPORTER STAFF

C) HEINE ALSO STATES THAT HE IS IN MEANTIME PREPARING "CONFIDENTIAL" DETAILED SUMMARY REPORT FOR DISTRIBUTION TO ALL MEMBERS CONGRESS. IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT REPORT WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL JUST ABOUT AS LONG AS IT TAKES TO DISTRIBUTE IT TO MEMBERS. IN MEANTIME (ON BASIS VERY LITTLE INPUT TO DATE FROM TTPI DISTRICTS), STATUS COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE ALREADY PROVIDING RATHER THOROUGH IF SOMETIMES GARBLED "BRIEFINGS"

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TO THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICT LEADERS. SOONER OR LATER THERE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY ALSO BE RADIO AND PRESS INTERVIEWS OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS (SENATOR PANGELINAN AND REP. GUERRERO FROM MARIANAS ARE HOLDING PRESS

CONFERENCE OCTOBER 21 BUT HAVE TOLD ME THAT THEY INTEND SAY VERY LITTLE).

3. IN ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES, AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS MAY WISH CONSULT SOONER

OR LATER WITH SENATOR SALII ON POSSIBILITY RELEASING FULL TEST HANA TRANSCRIPTS IN BOUND FORM FOR DISTRIBUTION IN TTPI (OR SUMMARY THEREOF). NO IMMEDIATE ACTION NEED TO TAKEN, AS DECISION (FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW) SHOULD BE BASED ON LEVEL DISTORTION AND MISUNDERSTANDINGS OUR PRESENTATIONS AT HANA. I SHOULD HAVE FULLER INFORMATION ON THAT POINT WITHIN SEVERAL WEEKS.

4. NEXT ROUND OF TALKS. HEINE ADVISED ME THAT HE IS WRITING TO SALII TODAY TO URGE EARLY DECISION ON TIMING AND VENUE NEXT ROUND. HEINE POINTS OUT THAT THERE WILL BE MAJOR LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS IF TALKS HELD IN PALAU ON EVE OF CONGRESS, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD HOTEL AND OFFICE SPACE. SUCH CAN BE ARRANGED, BUT ONLY WITH DIFFICULTY AND CONSIDERABLE ADVANCE NOTICE.

5. MICRONESIAN LEGAL ADVICE. HEINE COMMENTED THAT HIS COMMITTEE

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CLEARLY IN NEED OF EARLY LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND THAT THEY MAY HAVE A LEGAL ADVISOR WITH THEM AT NEXT ROUND OF TALKS -- POSSIBLY FROM A "WASHINGTON LAW FIRM."

6. MARIANAS POSITION. AS ADDRESSEES AWARE, MARIANAS REPS AT HANA REJECTED EARLY REINTEGRATION WITH GUAM IN FAVOR OF SEPARATE TERRITORIAL  
OR COMMONWEALTH STATUS, BUT DID HOLD OPEN POSSIBILITY REINTEGRATION AT SOME FUTURE DATE. [ ] MENTIONED "FIVE OR TEN YEARS" TO ME [ ] WHILE AT HANA. ON OCTOBER 20 [ ] TOLD ME THIS [ ] DECISION TAKEN ONLY VERY RECENTLY AS CONSEQUENCE THEIR "POLITICAL EDUCATION TOUR" OF MARIANAS [ ] THEY ADMIT [ ] CONSIDERABLE SENTIMENT FOR IMMEDIATE REINTEGRATION CONTINUES TO EXIST, BUT CLAIM CONSENSUS MAJORITY THEIR CONTACTS IS FOR POSTPONEMENT UNTIL MARIANAS MORE HIGHLY DEVELOPED ECONOMICALLY AND POLITICALLY, AND THEREFORE MORE ABLE TO PROTECT ITS INTERESTS IN ANY UNION WITH GUAM. [ ] INDICATED HE UNDERSTOOD COMMONWEALTH STATUS, AS PROPOSED IN 1970, MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR MARIANAS ALONE AND SAID TERRITORIAL STATUS MIGHT BE SUITABLE "FIRST STEP." ALSO SAID [ ] WOULD PRESS FOR FULLY SEPARATE TALKS WITH U.S. RATHER THAN PARALLEL TALKS AT SAME TIME AND PLACE AS TALKS WITH STATUS COMMITTEE. HE HINTED AT POSSIBILITY ANOTHER BOYCOTT CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA BY

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MARIANAS DELEGATION DURING FORTHCOMING CONGRESSIONAL SESSION.

7. TRUKESSE ATTITUDE TOWARD HANA TALKS. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS, [ ] HAVE TOLD ME THAT TRUKESSE REPS LEFT HANA [ ] THOROUGHLY FRUSTRATED AND ANGRY. TRUKESSE HAD HOPED FOR AND EXPECTED [ ] A CONFRONTATION SITUATION TO DEVELOP WHICH WOULD LEAD TO BREAKUP OF TALKS AND OPEN DOOR TO TRUKESSE AND OTHER LIKE-MINDED MEMBERS TO PRESS FOR INDEPENDENCE AT NEXT CONGRESSIONAL SESSION. [ ]

[ ] DID EVERYTHING POSSIBLE (IN STATUS COMMITTEE MEETINGS AT HANA) TO BRING ABOUT CONFRONTATION SITUATION. [ ] STILL IN SEPARATE [ ] CONVERSATION) THAT PROGRESS TO DATE COULD BE WHOLLY NEGATED AND CONFRONTATION LEADING TO CONGRESSIONAL OPTION FOR INDEPENDENCE WOULD STILL EMERGE IF "U.S. DOES NOT RECOGNIZE UNILATERAL TERMINATION PRINCIPLE."

8. ATMOSPHERICS AT HANA. [ ] IN SEPARATE [ ] CONVERSATIONS, ASKED ABOUT THE RATHER ABRUPT DECISION ON PART OF [ ]

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MICRONESIANS TO END HANA TALKS, SAID THAT ACTION SHOULD NOT BE MISINTERPRETED. MOST MEMBERS WENT AWAY "HAPPY" AND OPTIMISTIC, BUT MOST MEMBERS WERE ALSO BECOMING BORED AND RESTLESS

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LARGELY BECAUSE OF TRUKESE, STATUS COMMITTEE WAS IN CONSIDERABLE INTERNAL DISARRAY, A DISARRAY WHICH WAS "BECOMING INCREASINGLY SERIOUS." COMMITTEE NEEDED TIME TO PULL ITSELF TOGETHER AND SORT OUT DIFFERENCES ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES OR POINTS UNDER DISCUSSION AT HANA. B.

9. MESSAGE PREPARED OCTOBER 20. DORRANCE  
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