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UNCLAS. FROM POLAD 47. INTERIOR FOR OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS AND ASST SECRETARY LOESCH. COMTWELVE FOR AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS. STATE FOR IO/UNP AND S/PC (GRANT). DEFENSE FOR OSD/ISA AND JCS. WHITE HOUSE FOR MR HOLDRIDGE (NSC). CINCPAC FOR POLAD. SUBJECT: MICRONESIAN FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS. REF: HICOMTERPACIS TEL 260640Z OCT 71 (POLAD 44)  
1. FULL TEXT RELEASE (LESS UNNECESSARY WORDS) CITED PARA TWO REFTEL FOLLOWS. RELEASE RECEIVED BY ALL TTPI NEWSPAPERS, AND

PAGE TWO RUHGSAA4861 UNCLAS. UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE RUN BY MOST OF THEM. FULL TEXT APPEARING IN OCTOBER 29 EDITION MICRONESIA STAR. HIGHLIGHTS HAVE ALREADY APPEARED IN OCTOBER 27 EDITION GUAM PACIFIC AILY NEWS.  
2. BEGIN TEXT. UNITED STATES HAS REVEALED SPECIFIC PLANS TO BUILD NEW MILITARY BASED ON ISLANDS OF MICRONESIA. IN THIRD ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND MICRONESIAN CONGRESS JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS, HELD IN MAUI, HAWAII OCTOBER 4-12, 1971. U.S. MILITARY PLANNERS OUTLINED PLANS FOR BASES IN THREE DISTRICTS OF MICRONESIA.  
3. ACCORDING TO SENATOR LAZARUS SALII, CHAIRMAN OF MICRONESIAN DELEGATION, AIR FORCE HAS "IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENT" FOR AIR BASE ON ISLAND OF TINIAN IN MARIANAS FROM WHERE ENOLA GAY FLEW TO DROP

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ATOMIC BOMB ON HIROSHIMA. OF 4,000 ACRES OF "MILITARY RETENTION AREA" ON NEIGHBORING SAIPAN, "MOST" WOULD BE RETURNED.

4. MAJOR SURPRISE WAS NAVY PLANS FOR PALAU DISTRICT. NAVY INTENDS TO CONSTRUCT SUBMARINE BASE AND SHIP HANDLING FACILITIES IN MALAKAL HARBOR, CLOSE TO FAMOUS ROCK ISLANDS. A 40 ACRE H-BOMB AND GAS STORAGE FACILITY AND MARINE GUERRILLA TRAINING FACILITY WOULD BE BUILT ON MICRONESIA'S LARGEST ISLAND, BABELTUAP. IN ADDITION,

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A NEW OR IMPROVED AIR FIELD WOULD BE CONSTRUCTED TO SERVICE THESE FACILITIES.

5. ALREADY EXISTENT ABM AND OTHER CLASSIFIED TEST SITES ON KWAJALEIN AND ENIWETOK, IN MARSHALLS, WOULD BE RETAINED AS "MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS"

FOR THAT AREA. ISLAND OF BIKINI, SITE FOR POST-WAR H-BOMB TESTS, IS BEING RETURNED TO INHABITANTS THOUGH UNLESS A LARGE COMPENSAION IS PAID THEY ARE REFUSING TO RETURN.

6. MOST OMINOUS, HOWEVER, IS AMERICAN INSISTENCE ON RIGHT TO BUILD ADDITIONAL BASES "IF NECESSARY IN AN EMERGENCY." U.S. DELEGATION, HEADED BY AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS, WHO IS ALSO PRESIDENT OF ASIA FOUNDATION, DEMANDED THAT ANY AGREEMENT ABOUT POLITICAL STATUS

BE SIGNED ONLY AFTER MILITARY REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN GUARANTEED BY RATIFICATION ON BOTH SIDES.

7. SOME AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON FOUR PRINCIPLES HELD TO BE UNCOMPROMISABLE BY MICRONESIAN DELEGATION, BUT U.S. INTRANSIGENCE ON QUESTION OF TERMINATION PROCEDURES CAUSED MICRONESIAN DELEGATION TO END NEGOTIATIONS. WILLIAMS REFUSED TO DISCUSS AN AGREEMENT THAT WOULD BE TERMINABLE OTHER THAN BY MUTUAL CONSENT. MICRONESIAN THIRD PRINCIPLE DECLARES THAT ANY AGREEMENT MUST BE TERMINABLE UNILATERALLY BY EITHER PARTY SO AS TO GUARENTEE

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POSSIBILITY OF INDEPENDENCE IN FUTURE.

8. ON OTHER POINTS THERE WAS MORE AGREEMENT. IN RETURN FOR ALLOWING U.S. TO BUILD BASES, U.S. WOULD DROP ITS DEMAND FOR CONTROL OVER EMINENT DOMAIN BUT U.S. INSISTENCE ON "EMERGENCY" RIGHTS MAY MAKE THIS CONCESSION MEANINGLESS. ON SECOND POINT,

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THAT INVOLVING CONFLICT OF LAW, U.S. AGREED TO ALLOW MICRONESIANS FREEDOM IN CREATING THEIR OWN CONSTITUTION AND LAWS BUT EXPECTED THAT THERE BE BILL OF RIGHTS AND THAT AMERICAN FORM OF GOVERNMENT BE USED AS A MODEL. SENATOR SALII SAID THAT THIS INSULD WAS VIOLATION OF SPIRIT OF NEGOTIATIONS.

9. MICRONESIAN DELEGATION HAS INVITED AMERICANS TO MEET AGAIN IN DECEMBER IN PALAU BUT POSSIBILITY OF THIS IS UNCERTAIN. AS TO FUTURE STEPS THERE ARE TWO POSSIBILITIES, EITHER CONTINUED NEGOTIATIONS OR DECLARATION OF INTENT TO BECOME INDEPENDENT. IN ANY EVENT MICRONESIAN DELEGATION WANTS TO BEING IMMEDIATE INTERNAL REFORM BY CREATING AN ELECTIVE EXECUTIVE TO REPLACE PRESENTLY APPOINTED AMERICAN HIGH COMMISSIONER AND BY GIVING CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA CONTROL OVER APPROPRIATIONS.

CONGRESS IS ALSO SECURING SERVICES OF A WASHINGTON LAW FIRM.

10. IT WAS ALSO REVEALED THAT WHITE HOUSE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL HAS CREATED AN "OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS" UNDER SUPERVISION OF HENRY KISSILNGER AND HEADED BY AMBASSADOR ARTHUR HUMMEL, JR., FORMER AMBASSADOR TO BURMA, AND ASSISTED BY A NUMBER OF MILITARY OFFICIALS. END TEXT. DORRANCE

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