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PASS TO DEPT. INTERIOR FOR OSN AND DASTA
FROM POLAD 30. STATE FOR ID/UNP AND SZPC. COMTWELVE FOR:
AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS. DEFENSE FOR OSDZISA AND JCS.
WHITE HOUSE FOR MR. GOLDRIDGE (NSC). CINCPAC FOR POLAD.
SÜBJECT: TTPI - FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS
REF: POLAD 28

1. REFTEL REPORTED THAT STATUS COMMITTEE PROPOSES NEXT ROUND OF TALKS BE HELD IN PALAU BEGINNING APRIL 2. IN ANOTHER CONVERSATION THIS MORNING, SENATOR SALII SAID HIS COMMITTEE HAS: NOT FIXED DURATION OF TIME IN MIND FOR TALKS, BUT, BASED ON HANA

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EXPERIENCE, IS THINKING OF TEN OR MORE DAYS. HE ALSO: MADE FOLF
LOWING OTHER POINTS.

A) REFERRING TO DOCUMENT ON ASSOCIATION GIVEN TO AMBASSADOR: WILLIAMS IN SAN FRANCISCO, HE REQUESTED THAT I ADVISE AMBASSADOR: WILLIAMS THAT HE HAS NOW GIVEN DOCUMENT TO STATUS COMMITTEE FOR STUDY AND CONSIDERATION. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE SAID HE AND COMMITTEE WOULD WELCOME ANY PRELIMINARY COMMENTS ON DOCUMENT AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS WISHES MAKE SUCH COMMENTS, THEY COULD BE AIRMAILED: TO HIM DIRECTLY IN: PALAU.

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ALTERNATIVELY, THEY COULD BE SENT TO ME VIA CINCPACREP GUAM/TTPI BY CLASSIFIED TELEGRAM FOR CONVEYANCE TO SENATOR SALII. IN TERMS TIMING, IT NOW SEEMS CERTAIN CONGRESS WILL HAVE FULL FIFTY DAY SESSION. HOWEVER, ANY COMMENTS, TO BE OF USE TO COMMITTEE SHOULD BE SENT AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE.)

B) CONCERNING LOGISTICS NEXT ROUND OF TALKS, STATUS COMMIT-TEE SHOULD BE PROVIDED SOONEST WITH INFORMATION ON SIZE, COMPOSI-TION, AND REQUIREMENTS U.S. DELEGATION IN ORDER MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS HERE. SENATOR SALII ALSO STATED COMMITTEE: HOPES PICK UP TAB FOR HOTEL AND MEALS IN PALAU FOR U.S. DELEGATION AS: U.S. DID FOR MICRONESIANS AT HANA.

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FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FROM CONGRESSIONAL
BUDGET COMMITTEE. WILL KEEP YOU POSTED ON THIS.

- C) STATUS COMMITTEE WILL HAVE LEGAL COUNSEL AT NEXT ROUND TALKS. AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS MAY WISH BEAR THIS IN MIND IN DETERMINING COMPOSITION U.S. DELEGATION.
- 2. THERE WAS ALSO SOME DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC RELATIONS ASPECTS NEXT ROUND TALKS, AND OF POSSIBILITY RELEASING IMMEDIATELY AFTER TALKS FULL TRANSCRIPT, OVER SIGNATURES 30TH AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS AND SENATOR SALII. SUCH ACTION MIGHT ELIMINATE TROUBLESOME PRESS SPECULATION THAT AROSE AFTER LAST ROUND. AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS MAY WISH CONSIDER THIS POSSIBILITY AND TAKE IT UP WITH SENATOR! SALII AT THEIR NEXT MEETING. IN CONNECTION LATTER POINT, SENATOR SALII PLANS RETURN SAN FRANCISCO BRIEFLY IN EARLY MARCH AND LOOK FORWARD SEEING AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS AT THAT TIME.

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