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FROM POLAD 32C. STATE FOR IO/UNP AND S/PC. COMTWELVE FOR AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS. DEFENSE FOR OSD/ISA AND JCS. WHITE HOUSE FOR MR. HOLDRIDGE (NSC). CINCPAC FOR POLAD.

SUBJECT: TTP: - FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS

1. SEPTELS HAVE REPORTED INTRODUCTION IN CONGRESS OF STATUS COMMITTEE REPORT AND SENATOR SALII'S ACCOMPANYING REMARKS. OF PARTICULAR

SIGNIFICANCE IS FACT REPORT PROVIDES NO CONCLUSIONS OR RECOMMENDATION S.

ACCORDING SEVERAL MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE, REASON FOR THIS RATHER STARTLING

OMISSION IS THAT MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE, AFTER SEVERAL MEETINGS, WERE UNTILE:

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REACH AGREEMENT ON ANY CONCLUSIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS WITH RESPECT
SOME BASIC ISSUES. HAVE BEEN UNABLE OBTAIN ANY COMMENT ON PRECISELY
WHAT THESE D'FFERENCES MAY HAVE BEEN.

2. ADDITIONALLY, CARL HEINE STATES SENATOR SALII INITIALLY HAD INTENDED INTRODUCE REPORT WITH MUCH STRONGER STATEMENT, BUT COULD NOT DO SO BECAUSE OF DIFFERENCES MENTIONED ABOVE. HOWEVER, HE MAY STILL MAKE SOME SORT OF STATEMENT OF HIS OWN VIEWS DURING SESSION, BUT

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AS SENATOR FROM PALAU RATHER THAN AS CHAIRMAN OF STATUS COMMITTEE.

3. THERE ARE OTHER INDICATIONS THAT NOT ONLY IS COMMITTEE IN
DISARRAY, BUT ALSO THAT MICRONESIA'S ALWAYS FRAGILE UNITY MAY BE COMING

APART AT THE SEAMS AT A FASTER PACE THAN HAS BEEN ANTICIPATED IN PAST.

THERE ARE RUMORS FLOATING AROUND FRINGES OF CONGRESS THAT MARSHALLESE,

TRUKESE, AND PALAUANS MAY BE THINKING OF SEEKING SEPARATE STATUS SETT

MENTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS.

ALL WOULD BE IN SOME SORT OF ASSOCIATION WITH U.S., BUT EACH DIRECTLY

AND INDEPENDENTLY OF EACH OTHER. I MAY HAVE FURTHER INFORMATION ON THESE

RUMBLES WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS. SENATOR KABUA, AS EXAMPLE, HAS TOLD ME THAT HE WISHES DISCUSS WITH ME " SEPARATE ASPIRATIONS " OF MARSHALL ISLANDS.

4. MESSAGE PREPARED JANUARY 27 IN PALAU. DORRANCE GP-3

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