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(NSC). CINCPAC FOR POLAD.

SUBJECT: TTPI CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA AND ENIWETOK ATOLL
1. FEBRUARY 14 IDENTICAL RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED IN BOTH HOUSE
AND SENATE URGING RETURN OF ENIWETOK ATOLL AND NEGOTIATIONS TO
THAT END IN APRIL IN MAJURO. S.J.R. 89 INTRODUCED IN SENATE
BY SENATE PRESIDENT KABUA AND H.J.R. 87 INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

BY REP. ATAJI BALOS AND SEVEN OTHER MEMBERS HOUSE. FOLLOWING
IS FULL TEXT HOUSE RESOLUTION (BACKUP COPIES BOTH RESOLUTIONS BEING
AIRMAILED TO OSN) BEGIN TEXT

2. WHEREAS, PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK WERE SUMMARILY REMOVED FROM
THEIR HOMELAND ON ATOLL OF ENIWETOK IN 1946 BY ARMED FORCES OF
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN ORDER FOR THAT COUNTRY TO UTILIZE SAID
ATOLL FOR SURFACE TESTING OF ATOMIC WEAPONS; AND
3. WHEREAS, SEVERAL NUCLEAR DEVICES WERE, IN FACT, DETONATED ON
ATOLL OF ENIWETOK BY UNITED STATES FROM A PERIOD BEGINNING IN 1947
AND ENDING IN 1954; AND
4. WHEREAS, MUCH PERMANENT PHYSICAL DAMAGE WAS LIKELY SUSTAINED
BY REEFS AND ISLETS OF ENIWETOK ATOLL AS RESULT OF REPEATED

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NUCLEAR DETONATIONS AND SAID PHYSICAL DAMAGE HAS NEVER BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED BY UNITED STATES; AND

5. WHEREAS, IT IS SENSE OF CONGRESS THAT UNITED STATES, THROUGH ITS AGENTS, ORIGINALLY INDICATED IN 1946 TO LEADERS OF PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK THAT IT WAS AMERICA'S INTENTION TO UTILIZE ATOLL FOR ONLY A PERIOD OF FIXED DURATION NOT EXCEEDING 25 YEARS AND PEOPLE OF ATOLL LEFT UPON EXPRESS UNDERSTANDING THEY WOULD BE ALLOWED TO RETURN WHEN ATOMIC TESTING HAD BEEN TERMINATED AND

WITHIN AFORESAID TIME LIMIT OF 25 YEARS; AND

6. WHEREAS, PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO DEPLORABLE AND UNCONSCIONABLE LIVING CONDITIONS ON ISLAND OF UJELANG WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN COMPELLED TO LIVE SINCE EVACUATION OF ENIWETOK IN 1946 AND AS A RESULT PEOPLE HAVE PUBLICLY VOWED TO RETURN TO THEIR HOME ISLAND OF ENIWETOK IN 1972 WHETHER OR NOT PRIOR PERMISSION IS OBTAINED FROM TRUST TERRITORY GOVERNMENT OR UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NOW, THEREFORE,

7. BE IT RESOLVED BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF FOURTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 1972, SENATE CONCURRING, THAT UNITED STATES BE INFORMED IT HAS NO LEGAL OR MORAL RIGHT TO REMAIN ON ENIWETOK AND CONTINUE TO PREVENT AND RESTRAIN PEOPLE OF THAT ISLAND FROM RETURNING TO THEIR HOMELAND; AND

8. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UNITED STATES IS LEGALLY AND MORALLY OBLIGATED TO PROVIDE FOR PHYSICAL REHABILITATION OF ENIWETOK IN ALL RESPECTS AND SHOULD IMMEDIATELY BEGIN COMPLETE PROGRAM OF REHABILITATION; AND

9. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT AS LESSEE OF ENIWETOK, UNITED STATES IS STRICTLY OBLIGATED TO MEET WITH LEADERS OF ENIWETOK AND

THEIR LEGAL AND POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES AS THEY HAVE PUBLICLY DEMANDED SAID MEETING TO BE HELD IN MAJURO, MARSHALL ISLANDS DISTRICT,

IN APRIL, 1972, AND TO THIS END UNITED STATES IS HEREBY REQUESTED IN MOST URGENT TERMS TODISPATCH A REPRESENTATIVE TO AFORESAID MEETING WITH PLENARY AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE MEANINGFULLY IN NEGOTIATING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PREPARTRITIONOF PEOPLE OF ENIWETOK AND REHABILITATION OF THEIR ISLAND; AND

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10. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT CERTIFIED COPIES OF THIS HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES AND TO SECRETARIES OF DEPARTMENTS OF DEFENSE, SECURITY AND TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL FO UNITED NATIONS; AND TO HIGH COMMISSIONER. END TEXT

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