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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

Time: 1200, April 3, 1972

Participants: Ambassador Williams  
Captain Crowe  
Senator Salii  
Rep. Silk

1. Salii said that his delegation had not met yet or considered the opening statements.

2. Amb. Williams expressed appreciation for the warm tone of the Micronesian opening statement and for the general friendliness displayed by the Micronesian delegation. He assured Salii that the prospects were bright for success.

3. Amb. Williams remarked on <sup>our</sup> apparent differences of perspective regarding a draft compact. He further said that these differences, in his opinion, were not real ones. The U.S. delegation, just as much as the Micronesian delegation, wanted to move to agreed language as soon as possible. There would be some areas which would take longer, but we would reach preliminary agreements when we could, and not protract the process any more than necessary. Salii agreed that some things would require further work, and mused for a few moments on the necessity for moving ahead on a constitution. The general atmosphere was one of agreement on this point.

4. Amb. Williams offered to meet later and brief Salii and Silk on the substance of tomorrow's presentation. They seemed to appreciate the offer and set 1700 as a meeting time.

William J. Crowe, Jr.