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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

Time: 1030 - 7 April - Party Room

Participants: Ambassador Williams  
Captain Crowe  
Senator Salii  
Rep. Silk

1. The purpose of the meeting was for Ambassador Williams to brief the Co-Chairmen on what the U.S. delegation proposed to say the next day in response to the Micronesian position on the basic relationship and foreign affairs.

2. Ambassador Williams spoke for about 40 minutes, sticking very closely to his prepared notes. It was put in a clear and persuasive fashion. There was no room for doubt as to the firmness of the U.S. position and that they could not expect much give from the United States. It appeared the two delegations had reached, for all intents and purposes, an impasse. The point was to impress upon the Micronesians the seriousness of the present state of affairs.

3. The Micronesian reaction was not too bad. Salii said that he understood the U.S. position better than he ever had before and, while he was not accepting it as yet, the briefing would certainly be useful to him.

4. There was one or two questions during the briefing, but nothing unusual or of significance.

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