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(UNITED NATIONS)

NEW YORK, JUNE 3 (MNSL--THE CHIEF DELEGATES FROM AUSTRALIA,
THE UNITED KINGDOM, FRANCE AND THE SOVIET UNION THIS WEEK
CONCLUDED GENERAL DEBATE ON THE TRUST TERRITORY AS THE ANNUAL
HEARINGS BEFORE THE U.N. TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL CONTINUED. THE
COUNCIL HAS NOW BEGUN HEARING REPORTS ON THE TERRITORY OF PAPUA
NEW GUINEA, THOUGH AT THE END OF THE WEEK MEMBERS WERE SCHEDULED
TO HEAR CLOSING STATEMENTS FROM U.S. AND T.T. REPRESENTATIVES.

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AT THE AFTERNOON SESSION OF GENERAL DEBATE ON TUESDAY (MAY
30) MICHAEL WEIR OF THE UNITED KINGDOM SPOKE FIRST. HIS REMARKS,
AND THE REMARKS OF PAUL BLANC OF FRANCE AND VASILY S. SAFRONCHUK
OF THE SOVIET UNION WERE SUMMARIES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DELEGATIONS'
VIEWS OF CONDITIONS IN THE PACIFIC TRUST, BASED ON REPORTS MADE
THE PREVIOUS WEEK. WEIR'S REMARKS COVERED SEVERAL AREAS:

HE SAID HE WAS PLEASED TO LEARN THAT THE U.S. CONGRESS HAD
MOVED AHEAD ON APPROPRIATIONS TO SETTLE MICRONESIAN WAR CLAIMS:

HE NOTED HIS DELEGATION WAS ALSO PLEASED TO HEAR THAT THE
BIKINI REHABILITATION PROJECT IS PROGRESSING AND HOPES THAT THE
REHABILITATION OF ENIWETOK ATOLL WILL BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY:

IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA, THE DELEGATE WELCOMED THE
FORMATION OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, BUT

EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT NOTHING HAS YET BEEN DONE WITH
REGARD TO ELIMINATING TARIFF BARRIERS FOR MOVEMENT OF MICRONESIAN
GOODS INTO THE U.S.

AND HE SAID THAT IN SPITE OF OBVIOUS PROGRESS IN REPLACING
EXPATRIATES WITH MICRONESINS IN POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY, AN
EVEN GREATER MICRONESIAN VOICE IN THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS
COULD BE ENSURED IF MORE LOCAL CONTROL OF BUDGETARY APPROPRIATIONS

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WERE EXTENDED TO THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA.

THE REMAINDER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM DELEGATES' REMARKS
DEALT WITH THE STATUS ISSUE, AND PARTICULARLY WITH THE MOVE BY

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THE MARIANAS DISTRICT FOR SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS. IN SPEAKING OF THE DESIRES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS, HE SAID THAT ANY MOVE TO DIVIDE THE TERRITORY AS HAD BEEN PROPOSED IS A MATTER OF GREAT CONCERN FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY AS A WHOLE. HE SAID THAT A FINAL DECISION ON SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS ON A STATUS FOR THE MARIANAS SHOULD ONLY BE MADE WITH THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF MICRONESIA.

STATUS WAS ALSO A CONCERN OF THE DELEGATE FROM FRANCE, PAUL BLANC, WHO IS SERVING AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL THIS YEAR. BLANC WAS PLEASED TO NOTE THAT THE COUNCIL HAS BEEN KEPT FULLY INFORMED ABOUT THE RESULTS OF THE FOUR ROUNDS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

THE FRENCH DELEGATE BEGAN HIS PRESENTATION BY NOTHING THAT HE WAS PLEASED THAT THE WAR CLAIMS QUESTION WAS SOON TO BE SETTLED. BUT HE WAS DISAPPOINTED THAT THE CLAIMS QUESTION HAD TAKEN SO LONG TO REACH THE POINT WHERE IT IS NOW. AS AN ASIDE, HE WENT

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ON TO SAY THAT THE TIME IS APPROACHING WHEN THE TRUST TERRITORY STATISTICAL REPORT WILL NO LONGER LIST CRAP METAL FROM WORPD WAR TWO AS A SIGNIFICANT EXPORT.

BLANC TOOK NOTE OF TT IMPORT-EXPORT STATISTICS, AND POINTED OUT THAT A SERIOUS BALANCE OF TRADE DEFICIT EXISTS. HE SUGGESTED THAT EXISTING RESTRICTIONS ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT MIGHT BE REVIEWED--RESTRICTIONS WHICH CURRENTLY LIMIT FOREIGN INVESTMENT TO U.S. CITIZENS OR CORPORATIONS. HE ALSO MENTIONED SEVERAL OTHER ITEMS IN HIS REMARKS, INCLUDING AMONG THEM:

THAT THE PEOPLE OF BIKINI AND ENIWETOK ARE RIGHFULLY IMPATIENT AT HAVING TO WAIT FOR SO MANY YEARS TO RETURN TO THEIR HOME ISLANDS;

THAT THE ADMINISTRATION APPROACH TO LOCAL PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING FOR A TOURISM INDUSTRY AND THE RECOGNITION THAT TOURISM SHOULD ONLY BE PART OF AN OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ARE WISE POLICIES;

THAT THE BASE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MICRONESIA OUGHT TO BE BROADENED SO THAT THERE IS LESS DEPENDENCE ON U.S. GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES;

AND THAT A REVIEW OF FINANCING OUGHT TO INCLUDE A PLAN

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FOR EQUALIZATION OF GOVERNMENT WAGES ON A SCALE MORE IN LINE
WITH THOSE PAID TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDS
AND SMALL TERRITORIES.

IN A SOMEWHAT MORE CRITICAL COMMENTARY, THE DELEGATE FROM
THE SOVIET UNION, VASILY S. SAFRONCHUK, POINTED TO GROWING
SENTIMENT IN THE TERRITORY FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT, AND CHARGED THAT
THE UNITED STATES HAS FRUSTRATED THAT SENTIMENT BY PLACING
MILITARY STRATEGIC PLANS ABOVE THE WISHES OF THE PEOPLE. HE
SAID IT IS HIS FEELING THAT NEGOTIATIONS ON FUTURE STATUS ARE
BEING CARRIED OUT IN THE UTMOST SECRECY WITHOUT THE PARTICIPATION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS. DISAGREEING WITH THE EARLIER COMMENTS
OF THE DELEGATE FROM FRANCE IN THIS REGARD, SAFRONCHUK SAID
THAT THE U.N. HAD NOT BEEN KEPT CURRENTLY INFORMED ABOUT THE
NEGOTIATIONS AND UNITED STATES PROPOSALS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE
ISLANDS.

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