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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. P. NASH, ASSISTANT GENERAL  
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SUBJECT: United States Bases and Options

We are in the process of negotiating a "Compact" with the Trust Territories of the Pacific - and seek for our negotiating position a provision (in its Annex) the full and best position for the United States regarding land - a major DoD objective.

The following clause is proposed; may I have your comments and changes:

"United States rights to existing facilities shall continue. The United States shall have the right to acquire (for example, by option to use, option to lease, lease, option to purchase or purchase) harbor facilities, research and development facilities, base sites, communications facilities, airfield operating rights, training rights and maneuver rights, as specified in the following paragraphs. The duration of these rights will be as specified in Section 211 of this compact or in the lease/purchase/option agreements, whichever is longer. The Government of Micronesia will assure the availability to the United States of such lands, facilities, and areas. "

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