### 11 July 1972

## MEMORANDUM FOR CAPTAIN GORDON SCHULLER, USN ISA/EALPR

SUBJECT: Compact - Section 207 - Trust Territories of the Pacific.

You have requested a review for Ambassador Williams of the following language in Section 207:

"The defense authority of the USG provided for in Sec. 201 shall include (a) complete authority to defend Micronesia, (b) the right to prevent third parties from using Micronesian territory for military activity, and (c) the right to use United States military facilities and forces in Micronesia to support United States responsibilities under the United Nations Charter for the maintenance of international peace and security."

#### Comment.

It is my opinion that the language proposed by us, is in general, more appropriate since it covers a larger scope therefore providing the United States with the necessary powers. Secondly, our language avoids some of the suggestions that the United States has a legal right, and instead gives the United States responsibilities and authority to pursue its obligations as it sees them.

The clause relating to "denial" of access to a foreign military presence, i.e. clause (b) as proposed here, is however a "positive" as opposed to our proposed "negative" claim. As to this, should a positive approach be considered desirable, it might read and be

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## used in the DOD provision as follows:

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"(b) the United States is empowered and authorized to deny third parties (foreign military presence) from access to the territory of Micronesia."

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