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RELEASE DENIED[] CONFIDENTIAL// PA or FOI EXEMPTIONS FROM STATUS ENO 37 C PASS TO DEPT INTERIOR FOR OSN AND DASTA VIA INT/L STATE FOR ID/UNP AND S/PC COMTWELVE FOR AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS DEFENSE FOR OSD/ISA WHITE HOUSE FOR HOLDRIDGE (NSC) USUN FOR STOWE DESIRE OF KUSAIE TO BECOME SEPARATE DISTRICT

1. HICOM'S COMMENTS ON ABOVE SUBJECT WERE PART OF EXTEMPORANEOUS

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VISIT TO KUSAIE IN COURSE OF SWING AROUND TT IN LATE OCTOBER. KUSAIEA!

TOOK OCCASION OF VISIT TO STEP UP CAMPAIGN FOR BEING DESIGNATED SEPARATE DISTRICT.

2. AS REPORTED FROM PONPE (MY MEMORANDUM OF AUG 17) SIMILAR PITCH WAS MADE WITH CONSPICUOUS ENERGY DURING SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS LAST AUGUST. AT THAT TIME HICOM MET WITH KUSAIE DELEGATION HEADED BY CHIEF MAGISTRATE NORMAN SKILLING AND US-EDUCATED DR. HIROSI ISMAEL.

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DISCUSSING SUBJECT YESTERDAY NOVS, HICOM TOLD ME THAT HE HAD ASSURED DELEGATION THAT SUBJECT WOULD BE CONSIDERED AT TT HEADQUARTERS AND AT DEPT OF INTERIOR.

3. FEW DAYS AGO SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANT CRALEY RECEIVED LETTE FROM COM STAFF ATTORNEY MIKE WHITE PICKING UP THIS SUBJECT, APPRARENTLY FROM MNS ITEM, AND ASSERTING THAT COM IS PROPER BODY TO CONSIDER MATTER.

4. ALTHOUGH NOTING THAT KUSAIE GIVES NO INDICATION OF WANTING TO OPTOUT OF MICRONESIA, CRALEY, IN DISCUSSING SUBJECT, COMMENTED THAT HE SEES FRAGMENTATION IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER AS POTENTIAL PROBLEM, EXACERBATED BY MARIANAS SEPARATION. HE SAYS HE HAS MADE THIS POINT TO INDEPENENCE ADVOCATES, OBSERVING THAT IF MICRONESIANS SHOULD DECIDE THEY

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