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TO: DIRECTORS AND PLANS DIRECTOR: THE FOLLOWING IS
THE TEXT OF A JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE CONCLUSION
OF THE MARIANAS STATUS TALKS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1972.)

SARAPAN DECEMBER 13--THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS
COMMISSION AND THE PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
MET IN SARAPAN DECEMBER 13-14, 1972 FOR THE FORMAL
OPENING OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY THE
MARIANAS WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING UNION BETWEEN THE MARIANA
ISLANDS AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE MEETINGS CONSISTED OF A FESTIVE INAUGURAL CEREMONY,
A PUBLIC PLenary SESSION AND INFORMAL WORKING TALKS. THESE
AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR WARM EXCHANGES BETWEEN THE TWO
DELEGATIONS IN ANTICIPATION OF A FUTURE WORKING RELATIONSHIP
WHICH WILL BENEFIT ALL CONCERNED.

BOTH SIDES REVIEWED THE HISTORY OF THE REPEATED
EXPRESSIONS OF THE DESIRES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS, AS
EXPRESSED BY THE MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE, FOR A CLOSE
AND PERMANENT AFFILIATION WITH THE UNITED STATES, CULMINATING
IN THE FORMAL REQUEST BY THE MARIANAS LAST APRIL TO BEGIN
TALKS LEADING TO SUCH A STATUS AND THE RESPONSE OF THE UNITED
STATES INDICATING ITS WILLINGNESS TO ACCEDE TO THE MARIANAS'
WISHES.

THERE WERE NO DETAILED NEGOTIATIONS OR EXCHANGES OF
FORMAL PROPOSALS DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETINGS, BUT THERE
WAS ON BOTH SIDES A FRIENDLY AND FRANK EXPLORATION OF THE
QUESTIONS AND ISSUES TO BE RESOLVED IN THE COURSE OF THE
SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WILL FOLLOW. THE EXCHANGES
THAT TOOK PLACE ALLOWED BOTH SIDES TO UNDERSTAND MORE
PRECISELY THE VIEWS OF THE OTHER.

PLANS AND PROCEDURES FOR FUTURE NEGOTIATING SESSIONS
WERE WORKED OUT. THE NEXT MEETING, WHICH WILL CONCENTRATE
ON MATTERS OF SUBSTANCE, WILL BE HELD IN THE MARIANAS IN
THE SPRING OF 1973. IT WAS AGREED THAT ADVANCE PRELIMINARY
WORK WILL PERMIT THE OVERALL NEGOTIATIONS TO MOVE SWIFTLY
TO AGREEMENT ON THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF THE RELATIONSHIP,
LEAVING TO OTHER TECHNICAL GROUPS OR SUB-COMMITTEES THE
DEVELOPMENT OF ACTUAL LANGUAGE WHICH WILL SERVE AS A BASIS
OF A FINAL AGREEMENT.

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THANKS FOR THE EXTRAORDINARILY WARM AND GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY WHICH THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS HAVE ACCORDED THEM, A SPIRIT WHICH MAKES FOR HARMONIOUS RELATIONS IN THE FUTURE.

UPON CROSS EXPRESS' WARM THANKS TO THE HIGH COMMISSIONER OF THE TRUST TERRITORY, THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MARIANAS AND THEIR STAFFS, AND THE MAYOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAIPAN FOR THE SUPPORT FACILITIES WHICH HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH TO THE SUCCESS OF THE TALKS.

(WILLIAMS COMMENTS)
SAIPAN DEC 15 (CND) (U.S.) AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS SAID THIS WEEK THAT THE TWO DAYS OF MEETINGS BETWEEN HIS DELEGATION AND THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION WERE "VERY SUCCESSFUL." IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE, WILLIAMS SAID THAT THE MEETINGS COVERED IMPORTANT GROUND IN ESTABLISHING THE FIRST CONTACTS BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS. HE ADDED THAT BASIC STATEMENTS HAVE NOW BEEN MADE ON THE MATTERS OF A FUTURE STATUS FOR THE PRESENT MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT, ON FUTURE FINANCING FOR A MARIANAS ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNITED STATES, AND ON THE IMPORTANT QUESTION OF LAND.

ON THE QUESTION OF THE LAND ISSUE, THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT THE CROSS HAYDN OF THE FUTURE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE MARIANAS IS NOT IN QUESTION--THAT RELATIONSHIP WILL BE A CLOSE AND PERMANENT RELATIONSHIP. RATHER, HE SAID, IT IS THE EXACT FORM OF THIS RELATIONSHIP WHICH REMAINS TO BE NEGOTIATED.

ON THE QUESTION OF FINANCE, WILLIAMS SAID THAT THIS IS A MATTER FOR FURTHER STUDY AND FURTHER NEGOTIATION. HE SAID THAT THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS AS MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FAMILY CAN LOOK FORWARD TO FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IN SEVERAL FORMS--ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF SERVICES, FINANCIAL GRANTS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS--ATHING TOWARD ESTABLISHING A GREATER DEGREE OF SELF SUFFICIENCY IN THE FUTURE.

NOTING THAT THE QUESTION OF LAND IS AN ESPECIALLY SENSITIVE AREA FOR NEGOTIATION, THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT THE U.S. DELEGATION RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE LAND ISSUE TO ISLAND PEOPLES. HE PLEDGED THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ASSURE THAT THE LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS IN THEIR LANDS IS PROTECTED.

WILLIAMS SAID THAT WHILE THE MEETINGS THIS WEEK WERE PRELIMINARY IN NATURE, THE GROUNDWORK HAS LAID FOR CONTINUED CONTACTS BETWEEN THE TWO DELEGATIONS. THE MARIANAS COMMISSION HAS FORMED THREE SUB-COMMITTEES, HE SAID, AND THE U.S. DELEGATION WILL DO THE SAME SO THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO CONTINUE CONTACTS AT THIS COMMITTEE LEVEL BEFORE THERE IS

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ANOTHER MEETING OF THE FULL DELEGATIONS, THAT NEXT MEETING WILL
TAKE PLACE SOMETIME IN THE SPRING OF 1976 IN THE MARIANAS,
ACCORDING TO THE AMBASSADOR.

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HE SAID THAT SUCH A FULL MEETING WOULD PERHAPS TAKE PLACE IN APRIL.
MEANWHILE, THE AMBASSADOR SAID, THE MARIANAS DELEGATION POSED
SEVERAL QUESTIONS OF SUBSTANCE AT THE CLOSED WORKING SESSIONS ON
THURSDAY (DEC 14). THE U.S. DELEGATION WILL NOW RETURN TO
WASHINGTON TO CONSIDER THE QUESTIONS AND OTHER STATEMENTS PRESENTED
TO THEM.

WILLIAMS ALSO COMMENTED IN THE INTERVIEW ON THE STATE OF THE
CONTACTS BETWEEN HIS DELEGATION AND THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA
JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS, WHICH IS NEGOTIATING A STATUS FOR
THE REMAINING FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY. HE SAID THAT
HE HAD MET WITH THE JOINT COMMITTEE'S CHAIRMAN, SENATOR LAZARUS
SALI, ON GUAM EARLIER THIS WEEK. AT THAT MEETING WILLIAMS AND
SALI CONFIRMED THEIR EARLIER DECISION THAT NO FURTHER MEETINGS
WOULD TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS UNTIL AFTER THE COMING
CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA SESSION.

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(HEALTH COUNCIL MEETING)

SAIPAN DECEMBER 15 (MNS)--THE TRUST TERRITORY HEALTH
COUNCIL CONCLUDED A WEEK OF MEETINGS IN PALAU DISTRICT FRIDAY
(DEC 15), UNDERSCORING THE NEED FOR MORE MONEY AND MORE
MANPOWER FOR HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THROUGHOUT MICRONESIA.
DURING ITS REVIEW OF VIRTUALLY THE ENTIRE RANGE OF HEALTH
CONCERNS IN THE TERRITORY, THE COUNCIL POINTED OUT THAT
NECESSARY ADDITIONAL FUNDS SHOULD GO TO PAY FOR MORE AND
BETTER FACILITIES AND TO ENABL RECRUITMENT OF ADDITIONAL
HEALTH PERSONNEL WITH THE AIM OF IMPROVING THE PRESENT QUALITY
OF MEDICAL CARE DELIVERY. ADDITIONAL FUNDS, THE COUNCIL SAID,
WOULD ALLOW EXPANSION OF HEALTH SERVICES TO PARTS OF MICRONESIA
THAT DO NOT NOW HAVE ADEQUATE SERVICES OR READY ACCESS TO ANY
HOSPITAL.

IN OPENING THE CONFERENCE ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, AT THE
CONTINENTAL HOTEL, PALAU DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR THOMAS REMENGESAU
WELCOME THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND OTHER CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS,
STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF FINDING WAYS AND MEANS TO RESOLVE
SEVERAL CHRONIC PROBLEMS IN THE AREA OF HEALTH CARE DELIVERY
TO THE PEOPLE. "WITH THE HELP AND ASSISTANCE OF THIS COUNCIL,"
HE STATED, "WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO ESTABLISH ADEQUATE MEDICAL,

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ENVIRONMENTAL, DENTAL AND OTHER PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES. WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP STRUCTURES AND SYSTEMS OF HEALTH SERVICE WHICH CAN BE ASSUMED AND SUPPORTED BY MICRONESIANS," THE DISTAD SAID.

THE LIST OF SPEAKERS INCLUDED DR LAWRENCE ZANE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, WHO SPOKE ON THE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF BEING AN ADVISORY BODY. OTHER SPEAKERS WERE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES DR. MASAO KUMANGAI, NASCHA SIREN, CHIEF OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, AND OTHER STAFF MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

THE AGENDA FOR THE DISCUSSIONS INCLUDED A REVIEW OF THE CERVICAL CANCER DETECTION PROGRAM IN PALAU, THE MFOFX TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SENIOR HIGH WORKERS UNDERWAY IN TRUK, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION LAWS, MEDICAL REFERRALS TO GUAM AND HAWAII, VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION, AND SEVERAL OTHER MATTERS.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES FOR THE NEW PEDIATRIC WARD TO BE BUILT AT KOROR'S MACDONALD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. CONSTRUCTION OF THE WARD HAD BEEN DELAYED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS BECAUSE OF PROBLEMS WITH SITE SELECTION AND DESIGN, BUT IT IS EXPECTED THAT WORK WILL PROCEED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY. DR KUMANGAI TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THOSE WHO HAD WORKED HARD TO GET THE PROJECT UNDERWAY AGAIN.

THE T.T. HEALTH COUNCIL IS A TERRITORY-WIDE ADVISORY BODY,

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COMPRISED OF MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE HIGH COMMISSIONER. ITS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE REVIEWS OF CURRENT HEALTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, INVESTIGATION OF HEALTH NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE AT THE GRASS-ROOT LEVEL, AND SUBMISSION OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE DIRECTORS OF HEALTH SERVICES AT HEADQUARTERS AND IN THE DISTRICTS. THE COUNCIL HAS 21 MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT A CROSS-SECTION OF "HEALTH CONSUMERS" AS WELL AS "HEALTH PROVIDERS" THROUGHOUT MICRONESIA. DR. ELUEL PRETRICK, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR PONAPE DISTRICT, IS COUNCIL PRESIDENT. DR LOMISAN NGIRAILD OF PALAU AND NICK BOSSY OF TRUK ARE VICE-PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL RESPECTIVELY.

(MARIANAS ATTORNEY)

SAIPAN, DECEMBER 15 (MNS)---A NEW ATTORNEY HAS BEEN HIRED

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FOR THE MARIANAS DISTRICT, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS ANNOUNCED. WILLIAM S. AMBERRY, OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WILL REPLACE CARLOS SALII AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY. SALII HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO WORK AS REGISTRAR OF CORPORATIONS AT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

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AMSBERRY WILL BE DETAILED TO WORK IN THE HEADQUARTERS ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE UNTIL JANUARY 1, 1973. HE HAS HAD A BROAD EXPERIENCE AS A LAWYER. THE NEW ATTORNEY IS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES (UCLA) LAW SCHOOL IN 1955 WITH A LLB DEGREE. HE THEN WORKED AS A CONTRACT PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN AVIATION CORPORATION FROM 1956-59, THEN AS A CONTRACT AND LICENSING MANAGER FOR THE NAVEN PRODUCTION IN EL SEGUNDO FROM 1959-61. FROM 1961-63 HE WAS A SENIOR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE HOFFMAN ELECTRICAL CORPORATION IN LOS ANGELES; A CRIMINAL PROSECUTOR IN BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA FROM 1964-69; WAS EMPLOYED AT THE LAW FIRM OF GORDON & FORBES SHEER & NYE ABLE PRIOR TO WORKING AS AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE POSITION HE HELD SINCE 1971. HE WAS ALSO A TRIAL LAWYER FOR CIVIL AND CRIMINAL MATTERS. AMSBERRY IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO CHILDREN.

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