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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. ADRIAN DE GRAFFENRIED, OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS  
NEGOTIATIONS

SUBJECT: Micronesian SOFA

As a result of CINCPAC recommendations, and following further review here, our Interservice Legal Drafting Group has prepared a more definitive version of the proposed Micronesian status of forces agreement, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. Apart from minor editorial refinements, it includes provisions on labor, which have been incorporated in a wholly revised Article IV, a new Article V devoted solely to taxes, and renumbering of subsequent articles. In addition, we have formally defined the term "Government of Micronesia" in order to pinpoint more specifically the responsibilities of that entity, as appropriate throughout the text.

We do not anticipate any further substantive modifications from a DoD standpoint, and will therefore look to you for any future action on the subject. In this connection, I have particularly in mind the matter of coverage for civilian personnel employed by non-Defense agencies in the US Government, as well as the special maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the US, both of which are referred to in my memorandum to you of 18 December 1972. Please let us know your views.

We recognize that this matter is not urgent, since overall negotiations with Micronesia are currently in abeyance, but would still like to pin down an agreed interagency text in so far that is as possible.

Signed

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Enclosure: Draft Micronesian SOFA, 22 January 1973

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