

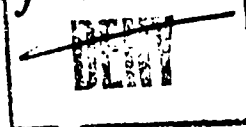


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SUBJECT : MARIANAS STATUS NEGOTIATIONS; TINIAN
REF: A. STATUS LNO 73C
B. STATUS LNO 54 C

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[REDACTED SECTION]

2. AS STATED LAST PARA REF A REPORTING MY RECENT VISIT TO TINIAN, I FOUND NO HINT THERE OF EXISTENCE OF ANY SUSPICION THAT WE MIGHT HAVE IN MIND ANYTHING OTHER THAN A SHARING OF THE ISLAND LOCAL RESIDENTS WHO LOOK FORWARD ENTHUSIASTICALLY TO COMING OF MILITARY AND TO PARTICIPATING IN PRESUMED BENEFITS OF MILITARY PRESENCE IN FORM OF UTILITIES, MARKETS, ETC. ACCORDING TO MAYOR, THEY ARE

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EVEN PREPARED TO MOVE TO ANOTHER PART OF THE ISLAND IN ORDER TO LEAVE
PORT AREA FOR MILITARY USE.

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REF B, THEIR STRONG DESIRE, AND WHAT LOOKS MOST ATTRACTIVE TO THEM, IS
THE SHARING OF THE BENEFITS, AS NOTED ABOVE, OF THE MILITARY PRESENCE.
THE COMMISSION'S ATTORNEY JIM WHITE HAS MADE THIS VERY EXPLICIT TO

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(REF B): THE COMMISSION DOES NOT FORESEE OR DESIRE A MILITARY
FACILITY COMPLETELY ISOLATED FROM THE COMMUNITY. THERE IS A FRIENDLY
FEELING ABOUT ALL THIS WHICH CREATES A FAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE IN WHICH
TO WORK OUT DETAILS.

BI, AS

[REDACTED]

EVEN IF THEY SHOULD DECIDE TO CARRY ON, HOPING
TO LOWER OUR DEMANDS THROUGH NEGOTIATION, THE SITUATION WOULD, I BELIEVE
BE SOURED.

5. THE OTHER DISTRICTS, WHICH WILL HAVE THEIR OWN WAY OF LOOKING
OVER THE MARIANAS' SHOULDERS AT THE TALKS, WILL HAVE RECEIVED THE
MESSAGE, AND MAY WELL DECIDE TO DO SOME RECONSIDERING OF THEIR BASIC
INTENTIONS FOR FUTURE RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. AT THIS MOMENT THE
MARSHALLS DISTRICT IS CLEARLY TEETERING ON THE BRINK OF REQUESTING
SEPARATE TALKS WITH US, AND OUT OF THE SHADOWS OF PALAUAU POLITICS
COMES A HINT OF SEPARATISM IN A BILL TO DRAW UP A CONSTITUTION FOR

"FUTURE STATE OF PALAUA" (STATUS LNO 84 C). TRUK IS WITNESSING A
FOUGHT BATTLE BETWEEN ADVOCATES OF INDEPENDENCE AND CLOSE OR FREE
ASSOCIATION WITH U.S. (STATUS LNO 81).

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6. AS I SEE IT, THESE FACTORS IN THE MICRONESIAN STATUS PICTURE POINT TO THE CERTAINTY THAT OUR ROUND WITH THE MARIANAS WILL BE CLOSELY OBSERVED BY OTHER DISTRICTS, AND THAT PARTICULAR FOCUS WILL BE

LAND ASPECT AND THE U.S. MILITARY NEEDS. THE WAY IN WHICH WE HANDLE THIS ASPECT AND THE NATURE AND EXTEND OF OUR PROPOSALS WILL HAVE IMPLICATIONS EITHER TO HELP OR HURT US IN OUR RELATIONS AND INTERESTS IN OTHER DISTRICTS, ESPECIALLY PALAU.

7. I DO NOT PRESUME TO JUDGE OUR ESSENTIAL MILITARY NEEDS, BUT I DO RAISE A WARNING FROM WHERE I SIT AS TO THE LIKELY HIGH PRICE WHICH A DEMAND FOR ALL OF TINIAN WILL COST US. TREAT
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