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PRESS RELEASE REGARDING MICRONESIAN FUTURE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS
1. AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS AND SENATOR SALII JOINTLY RELEASED THE
FOLLOWING STATEMENT AT 1300W, 5 MAY 73 QUOTE:

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AMB FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS, THE PRESIDENT'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS AND SENATOR LAZARUS SALII,

CHAIRMAN OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA'S JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THEY HAD MET IN HONOLULU ON MAY 4 AND 5 TO

EXCHANGE VIEWS ON A NUMBER OF SUBJECTS RELATED TO THE NEGOTIATIONS. ALSO PARTICIPATING IN THESE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WERE: MR. JAMES WILSON, DEPUTY U.S. REPRESENTATIVE, CONGRESSMAN EKPAP SILK, CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE, AND BAILEY OLTER, MEMBER OF THE SAME COMMITTEE AND SENATOR FROM PONAPE.

AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON INTERMEDIATE STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN ADVANCE

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OF A RESUMPTION OF THE FORMAL TALKS WHICH ARE NOW TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR LATE THIS SUMMER. FIRST THE QUESTION OF THE EARLY RETURN OF PUBLIC TRUST LANDS TO THE DISTRICTS WILL BE STUDIED BY THE U.S. IN CONSULTATION WITH APPROPRIATE AND INTERESTED AUTHORITIES AND INDIVIDUALS IN THE TTPI ADMINISTRATION, THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA AND THE DISTRICTS. SECOND, WHILE THE LAND QUESTION IS BEING EXAMINED, THE TWO CHAIRMEN WILL HOLD A SERIES OF REGULAR INFORMAL MEETINGS IN PREPARATION FOR A RESUMPTION OF THE JOINT EFFORT TO COMPLETE THE REMAINING TITLES OF A DRAFT COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND MICRONESIA. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE FIRST OF THESE

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INFORMAL HEADS OF DELEGATION MEETINGS WOULD BE SCHEDULED FOR JUNE. UNQUOTE.

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