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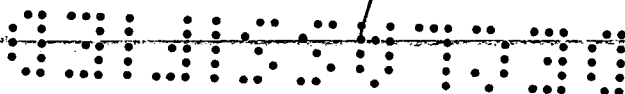
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SUBJ: UN VISITING MISSION REPORT: TPI FUTURE STATUS

1. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS ON FUTURE STATUS CONTAINED IN TEXT OF UNVM'S REPORT, ADVANCE COPY OF WHICH JUST OBTAINED BY USUN. COPIES OF REPORT BEING POUCHED TO DEPT (IO/UNP), HICOM, AND STATUS LNO. PLEASE DO NOT RPT NOT RELEASE PUBLICLY UNTIL AUTHORIZED BY USUN.

2. REPORT CALLS FOR "SPECIAL EFFORT" TO BRING FUTURE STATUS TALKS TO CLOSE BUT RECOGNIZES THAT FORMALITIES FOR ENDING TRUSTEESHIP UNLIKELY TO BE COMPLETED "FOR AT LEASE TWO-THREE YEARS" AND RECOMMENDS ADOPTION "WITHOUT DELAY" OF TRANSITIONAL MEASURES PROVIDING GREATER DEGREE OF SELF-GOVERNMENT.

3. SIGNERS OF REPORT (AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, UK) DECLARE THAT "MICRONESIANS MUST DECIDE FOR THEMSELVES "TYPT OF FUTURE STATUS WHICH MOST SUITS THEM BUT NOTE THAT "IF NONE OF PARTIES CONCERNED WISHES TO DISCUSS INDEPENDENCE AS ONE POSSIBLE

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OPTION, OTHER SHOULD BE PREPARED TO JOIN IN SUCH DISCUSSION." IN THIS CONTEXT, REPORT RECALLS THAT GOAL OF VENTUAL INDEPENDENCE FOR DEPENDENT TERRITORIES IS IMPLICIT IN UN CHARTER AND TRUSTEESHIP SYSTEM UNLESS PEOPLE OF TERRITORY CONCERNED, THROUGH ACT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, AGREE ON SOME OTHER STATUS. REPORT CALLS FOR MORE POLITICAL EDUCATION SO THAT "MICRONESIANS WILL HAVE BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF POSSIBILITIES OPEN TO THEM." REPORT ALSO SAYS THAT MICRONESIA MUST BE INFORMED AT EARLY STAGE OF LEVEL OF US FINANCIAL SUPPORT LIKELY TO BE AVAILABLE UNDER VARIOUS STATUS ARRANGEMENTS.

4. REPORT CALLS IT "IMPERATIVE THAT SEPARATION OF MARIANAS NOT BE TAKEN AS FOREGONE CONCLUSION." WHILE REPORT RECOGNIZES "DETERMINATION OF PEOPLE OF MARIANAS TO FOLLOW DIFFERENT PATH FROM REST OF MICRONESIA," IT HOLDS THAT "SEPARATE TALKS SHOULD BE STOPPED" UNTIL US AND MICRONESIAN NEGOTIATORS FURTHER DEFINE THEIR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS SINCE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT AGREEMENT ON MICRONESIA'S STATUS WILL BE ACCEPTABLE TO MARIANAS. REPORT NOTES THAT UN HAS CONSISTENTLY OPPOSED FRAGMENTATION OF DEPENDENT TERRITORIES ON TRIBAL OR REGIONAL LINES AND CITES AS EXAMPLE UN POSITION ON ANMIBIA. AT SAME TIME, REPORT SAYS MICRONESIAN JFSC "SHOULD TAKE VIEWS OF MARIANAS MORE INTO CONSIDERATION" AND, IF ARRANGEMENT NEGOTIATED FOR MICRONEISA UNACCEPTABLE TO MARIANAS, "IT WOULD SEEM LIKELY THAT COM WOULD ACCEPT THE INEVITABILITY OF SEPARATE STATUS FOR MARIANAS."

5. ON LAND QUESTION, REPORT SAYS THAT "BASIC ISSUE SUCH AS LAND RETENTION" SHOULD BE DECIDED BEFORE TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT IS ENDED AND REGRETS THAT UNVM WAS NOT GIVEN ANY INFO ON PLANS FOR USE OF LAND IN PALAU FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. REPORT "STRONGLY RECOMMENDS" THAT NO LAND BE CEDED WITHOUT AGREEMENT OF PEOPLE CONCERNED.
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