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NEW YORK, JUNE 15 (MNS) --- FOUR MEMBER NATIONS OF THE
UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL SUMMARIZED THEIR THOUGHTS



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ON CONDITIONS IN THE TERRITORY THURSDAY (JUNE 14) AS GENERAL DEBAVE MOVED THE 1973 HEARINGS TOWARD A CONCLUSION.

DURING THIS PHASE OF THE REPORTING AND DISCUSSION PROCEDURES, AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED KINGDOM ALL REACTED TO WHAT THEY HAVE HEARD FROM TRUST TERRITORY AND UNITED STATES OFFICIALS DURING THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS, AND TO WHAT SOME OF THEM HAD SEEN FURSTHAND AS MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL'S VISITING MISSION TO THE TRUST TERRITORY EARLIER THIS YEAR.

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AGAIN THIS YEAR, THE COUNCIL EXPRESSED ITS CONCERNABOUT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN MICRONESIA, ABOUT THE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS OF THE AREA AND THE PROGRESS, OR LACK OF PROGRESS, OF THE CURRENT STATION NEGOTIATIONS.

FRENCH DELEGATE ALBERT TUROT SAID THAT THE PROBLEM OF MICRONESIA IS A SPECIAL ONE, REQUIRING SPECIAL SOLUTIONS. HE INDICATED HIS FEELING THAT POLITICAL ADVANCEMENT DURING THE PAST YEAR HAD BEEN "CLOUDY," CALLING FOR A RESUMPTION OF THE STATUS TALKS TO END THE PRESENT SITUATION OF UNCERTAINTY. NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD RESUME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE, TUROT SAID. HE ADDED THAT BOTH SIDES IN THE TALKS SHOULD CORRESPOND TO THE WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY.

HE SAID THAT ONE WAY TO FIND OUT JUST WHAT THE PEOPLE DO WANT WOULD BE TO HOLD A TRIAL REFERENDUM. HE ALSO TOOK CARE TO POINT OUT THAT HE FAVORS THE IDEA OF THE MARIANAS MEMBERS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS CONTINUING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS, WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO RESUME IN SEPTEMBER. HE ADDED THAT IF THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION TO THE FUTURE PULITICAL STATUS OF THE TERRITORY DICTATES THE SEPARATION OF THE MARIANAS FROM THE REST OF MICRONESIA, THEN A REFERENDUM MUST BE

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CONDUCTED IN THAT INSTANCE TOO, FOR THE FINAL APPROVAL OF
THE PEOPLE OF THAT DISTRICT.

TUROT WENT ON TO SUMMARIZE HIS DELEGATION'S THOUGHTS ON EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN MICRONESIA. HE SAID THE CONDITIONS HERE SEEM TO BE IMPROVING. AND ON ECONOMIC





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DEVELOPMENT, HE SAID THAT SOME AREAS, NOTABLY AGRICULTURE
AND FISHERIES, ARE BEING NEGLECTED. HE URGED THE UNITED STATES
STATES AS ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE ITS SUBSTANTIAL
FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY IN THE YEARS AHEAD.
THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SOVIET UNION, IVAN NEKLESSA,
NOTED THE CONTRAST IN THIS YEAR'S PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE
TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE TERRITORY OF
PAPUA/NEW GUINEA IS HEADED TOWARD SELF-GOVERNMENT, IN DECEMBER
OF THIU YEAR, WHILE THE PACIFIC ISLANDS TERRITORY IS MOVING
IN THIS DIRECTION MUCH MORE SLOWLY. THIS SLOWNESS, HE STATED,
HAS AS ITS MAIN CAUSE THE MILITARY INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES.
MICRONESIANS ARE TRYING TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS OF SELFDETERMINATION, NEKLESSA SAID, BUT THEIR EFFORTS ARE NOT BEING
SUPPORTED BY THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY, AND OFTER ARE DIRECTLY
OPPOSED. HE CHARGED THAT THE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS ARE BEING CARRIED

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OUT IN AN AIR OF SECRECY, AND SAID RECORDS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS
WERE NOT MADE AVAILABLE TO THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL. FURTHERMORE,
HE SAID, THE SEPARATION OF THE MARIANAS FROM MICRONESIA AND ITS
INCORPORATION INTO THE UNITED STATES RUNS COUNTER TO THE WILL OF
THE MAJORITY OF THE MICRONESIAN PEOPLE, AND IS A VIOLATION BY
THE UNITED STATES OF ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TRUSTEESHIP
AGREEMENT AND THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER.

ON OTHER MATTERS, THE SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE SAID THAT NO FUNDAMENTAL CHANGES HAVE OCCURED IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL FIELDS IN THE TERRITORY, HE SAID THAT THE ACTUAL POWER IN THE TERRITORY REMAINS IN THE HANDS OF THE ADMINISTRATION, WITH ITS VETO POWER; THAT THE MAJORITY OF HIGH POSITIONS IN THE TERRITORY ARE STILL HELD BY AMERICANS; AND THAT THERE IS AN ABSENCE OF WELL THOUGHT OUT, LONG-TERM PLANNING IN THE TERRITORY, THAT IMPORTS ARE GROWING, AND THAT EXPORTS ARE DECLINING. NEKLESSA SAID THAT FISHING AND AGRICULTURE ARE NOT DEVELOPED, AND THAT TOURISM IS ONLY BEING DEVELOPED IN THE MARIANAS DISTRICT.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THERE ARE WHAT HE CALLED "BLATANT VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS" IN THE TRUST TERRITORY. A NEWSPAPER HAD BEEN CLOSED DOWN BY THE GOVERNMENT IN PALAU DISTRICT

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FOR INSTANCE, AND ADMINISTRATION APPROVAL OF MATERIAL TO BE
BROADCAST ON DISTRICT RADIO STATIONS IS NECESSARY IN AT LEAST
THREE DISTRICTS, HE STATED.

THE NEKLESSA STATEMENT CONTAINED A LENGTHY CATALOGUE OF SEVERAL OTHER ILLS WHICH HE SAID EXIST IN MICRONESIA. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE UNITED STATES AND TRUST TERRITORY OFFICIALS WILL HAVE RESPONDED TO SOME OF THOSE CRITICISMS: IN THEIR FINAL STATEMENTS, TO BE DELIVERED TO THE COUNCIL; AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE HEARINGS FRIDAY.

THE AUSTRALIAN POSITION WAS DELIVERED BY THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, SIR LAURENCE MCINTYRE, WHO NOTED THAT HIS DELEGATION COULD NOT AGREE WITH ALL OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VISITING MISSION REPORT ON THE TRUST TERRITORY NOW BEFORE THE COUNCIL. HE SAID THAT HIS DELEGATION WOULD HAVE PREFERRED TO HAVE A DIFFERENT EMPHASIS PUT ON SOME ITEMS IN THE REPORT. HE INDICATED THAT VIRTUALLY EVERYTHING HAPPENING IN THE TERRITORY IS RELATED TO THE FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS DISCUSSIONS, AND HE URGED RESUMPTION OF THOSE TALKS TOWARD AN AGREEMENT ON THE FREE ASSOCIATION CONCEPT.

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MOVING AWAY FROM THE OTHER PARTS, HE HOPES THAT THIS WILL NOT HAPPEN IN THE OTHER DISTRICTS, AND HE URGED THE UNITED STATES TO DEVOTE CONSIDERABLE RESOURCES TO PREVENTING SUCH AN OCCURRENCE.

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ON OTHER MATTERS, MCINTYRE URGED THAT LIMITATIONS BE PLACED ON THE POWER OF THE VETO, AND THAT THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA'S POWER OF ADVICE AND CONSENT BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE APPROVAL OVER THE DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER'S POSITION.

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THE MATTER OF FORMULATING A CONSTITUTION SHOULD PROCEED, HE
INDICATED, AND HE WELCOMED THE STATEMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATION
THAT IT WILL LEND TECHNICAL AND MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE
CONGRESS WHEN A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION IS ESTABLISHED.

SIMILAR SENTIMENTS WERE EXPRESSED BY UNITED KINGDOM REPRESENTATIVE PETER HINCHCLIFFE, WHO ALSO HOPES THAT THE APPARENT SLOWDOWN IN THE POLITICAL STATUS NEGOTIATIONS WILL NOT SLOW DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRITORY TOWARD SELF-GOVERNMENT, AND IN EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC AREAS.

THE VISITING MISSION, HINCHCLIFFE SAID, HAD AS ITU POINT OF REFERENCE THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF ITS PREDECESSOR MISSIONS.

HE SAID AS FAR AS HE COULD TELL, DEVELOPMENT IN THE ECONOMY SINCE THE 1970 VISITING MISSION TO THE TERRITORY HAB, TO USE HIS WORDS, "NOT BEEN PARTICULARLY IMPRESSIVE."

IN EDUCATION AND HEALTH, PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE, BUT HE POINTED OUT THERE SEEMED TO HIM TO BE A VARIATION IN HEALTH AND EDUCATION BENEFITS AMONG THE DISTRICTS-THAT IS, SOME DISTRICTS ARE BETTER OFF THAN OTHERS.

HINCHCLIFFE CONCLUDED HIS REMARKS WITH SOME COMMENT ON

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THE SITUATION IN THE MARIANAS REGARDING FUTURE POLITICAL:
STATUS, AND HE HAD A STRONG RECOMMENDATION TO THE TRUSTEESHIP
COUNCIL, THE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM HINCHCLIFFE'S
STATEMENT:

"MR. PRESIDENT, REFERENCE HAS BEEN MADE TO THE VISITING MISSION'S RECOMMENDATION THAT THE SEPARATE STATUS TALKS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE MARIANAS BE SUSPENDED FOR THE TIME BEING, IF I MAY SPEAK MOMENTARILY IN MY PERSONAL CAPACITY AS A MEMBER OF THE VISITING MISSION, TO SAY THAT AT

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THE TIME THIS SUGGESTION WAS DRAFTED IT DID APPEAR TO US SIGNATURIES OF THE REPORT TO BE A REASONABLE AND PRACTICAL SUGGESTION. IT WAS THEN OUR EXPECTATION THAT THE STATUS TALKS WITH THE MARIANAS WOULD BE ALONG, DRAWN-OUT, AND THAT AN OPPORTUNITY SHOULD FIRST BE GIVEN TO FINALIZING THE FUTURE STATUS TALKS WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, AS REPRESENTING THE TERRITORY AS A WHOLE IN OUR HOPE--ADMITTEDLY A SLIM HOPE--THAT A STATUS FOR MICRONESIA WOULD BE AGREED WHICH WOULD IN THE END BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL DISTRICTS, TO THE MARIANAS AS WELL.

"HOWEVER," HINCHCLIFFE SAID, "WITH THE RAPID SUCCESS OF

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THE RECENT ROUNDS OF TALKS BETWEEN THE MARIANAS AND AMBASSADOR
WILLIAMS, IT IS QUITE CLEAR THAT THE SITUATION HAS RADICALLY
CHANGED, AND THAT THE PROPOSAL IN THIS PART OF THE REPORT HAS
BEEN OVERTAKEN BY EVENTS."

HINCHCLIFFE CONTINUED: "THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL MUST NOW RECOGNIZE REALITIES, WHATEVER WE MAY WISH TO THE CONTRARY, THERE IS NO SETTING BACK OF THE CLOCK, THERE IS NO CHANGING OF THE RECORD. THE SEPARATE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS ARE A FACT, THAT THEY ARE WELL ON THEIR WAY TO COMPLETION IS ANOTHER FACT, THAT THE MARIANAS DELEGATION IS REPRESENTING THE WISHES OF THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE OF THOSE ISLANDS IS INDISPUTABLE. THE MARIANAS HAVE BEEN CONSISTENT IN THEIR LONG HELD VIEW THAT THEY WISHED FOR SOME FORM OF VERY CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH THE UNITED STATES, IN CONTRAST TO THE OBJECTIVES PURSUED BY THE OTHER FIVE DISTRICTS. THIS, I THINK, IS BROUGHT OUT IN THE VISITING MISSION'S REPORT, "HE SAID.

"BUT WHAT IS PERHAPS LESS CLEARLY STATED," HE CONTINUED,
"IS THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN EQUALLY CONSISTENT
OVER THE YEARS IN FIRMLY RESISTING ANY ATTEMPTS TO DISRUPT THE
UNITY OF MICRONESIA, IT WAS ONLY JUST OVER A YEAR AGO THAT,

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FACED WITH THE CONSISTENT WILL AND PURPOSE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS, THE UNITED STATES, WHILE RELUCTANT, BOWED TO THE

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INEVITABLE AND ENTERED INTO SEPARATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MARIANAS."

CONTINUING WITH HIS STATEMENT, HINCHCLIFFE ASKED: "WHAT THEN, MR PRESIDENT, SHOULD WE, AS THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, DO AND SAY ABOUT THIS? AS I HAVE JUST SAID, IT IS THE VIEW OF MY DELEGATION THAT WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT WHAT IS DONE, IS DONE. IT IS ARGUABLE THAT, BECAUSE OF THEIR PAST HISTORY, THE MARIANAS HAVE A SPECIAL CASE. WE SHOULD RECOGNIZE THIS. THEY HAVE PUT THEIR CASE WELL, AND THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY, AGAINST ITS INCLINATIONS AND DESPITE ITS EFFORTS TO FIND COMMIN GROUND IN THE POSITION OF THE MARIANAS AND THAT OF THE FUTURE STATUS COMMISSION, HAS BEEN OBLIGATED TO MEET THEIR WISHES. THESE ARE THE FACTS, AND THE COUNCIL SHOULD HELP THEM.

"WE SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT IT IS STILL THE INTENTION OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY TO SEEK TO TERMINATE THE TRUSTEESHIP AGREEMENT FOR ALL OF MICRONESIA AT THE ONE TIME, WE SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT IT IS THE HOPE AND THE EXPECTATION OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY THAT THE UNITY OF THE REST OF THE

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TERRITORY -- THAT IS TO SAY, THE UNITY OF THE MARSHALLS AND THE CAROLINES -- WILL BE PRESERVED AND A COMMON STATUS ACHIEVED FOR THEM. IN SUCH A SITUATION DELAY HAS ITS DANGERS, AND WE SHOULD



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ALSO URGE ALL CONCERNED TO PUSH FORWARD AS FAST AS POSSIBLE WITH THE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO THE REST OF THE TRUST TERRITORY."

AND THEN HINCHCLIFFE CONCLUDED WITH SOME SPECIAL WORDS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE MARIANAS: "UNITY," HE SAID, "IS A FRAGILE

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FLOWER. YOU ESPECIALLY AS A PACIFIC VEOPLE SHOULD KNOW THAT AS
ONE PETAL GOES, OTHERS CAN FOLLOW. LET NOTHING THAT YOU SAY OR
DO CAUSE FUTURE GENERATIONS TO SAY THAT IT WAS BY YOUR ACTIONS
THAT UNITY OF MICRONESIA WAS DESTROYED. TREAD CAREFULLY, THEN.
GO ON YOUR OWN WAY IF YOU WILL. BUT DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR
POWER TO LEAVE HARMONY, FRIENDSHIP AND UNDERSTANDING BEHIND YOU."

THOSE WERE THE WORDS OF PETER HINCHCLIFFE, OF GREAT BRITAIN, BEFORE THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL ON THURSDAY.

THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED BY THE FOUR DELEGATIONS WERE, TO SAY THE LEAST, QUITE VARIED IN THEIR EMPHASIS, IN THEIR STYLE, AND CERTAINLY IN THEIR SUBSTANCE. THE UNITED STATES AND TRUST TERRITORY DELEGATES TO THE 1973 HEARINGS, INCLUDING THE HIGH COMMISSIONER AND THE TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA, HAVE A CHANCE TO RESPOND TO ALL OF THIS IN THEIR FINAL STATEMENTS ON FRIDAY IN NEW YORK.

(NOTE TO EDITORS AND NEWS DIRECTORS: MICRONESIAN NEWS SERVICE WILL HAVE A SPECIAL DISPATCH DATED SATURDAY, JUNE 16, TO PROVIBE YOU WITH TIMELY COVERAGE OF THE FINAL DAY'S TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS FROM NEW YORK CITY. PLEASE WATCH FOR THAT SPECIAL DISPATCH, WHICH WILL ARRIVE IN THE DISTRICTS LATE SATURDAY

PAGE FOUR RUHGSAA5070 UNCLAS EVENING OR SUNDAY.) (MEAT MAY NOW BE SHIPPED)

SAIPAN JUNE 15 (MNS) ===TRUST TERRITORY CHIEF OF ANIMAL HEALTH SERVICES DR. WILLIAM SMITH SAID ON SAIPAN FRIDAY (JUNE 15) WORD HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IN WASHINGTON THAT THE TRUST TERRITORY HAS BEEN DECLARED TO BE FREE OF THE DISEASE HOG CHOLERA. THE DECISION MEANS THAT PORT PRODUCTS FROM THE TT CAN NOW BE EXPORTED TO



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GUAM AND OTHER U.S. AREAS.

OR, SMITH SAID HE WAS INFORMED VIA TELEGRAM THAT USDA HAS ISSUED AN AMENDMENT TO ITS HOG CHOLERA REGULATIONS LISTING TTPI AS FREE OF THE DISEASE EFFECTIVE JUNE 6. A NUMBER OF OTHER ANIMAL DISEASES WERE ALSO DECLARED TO BE ABSENT IN THE TT, BUT SMITH SAID HE WOULD NOT KNOW THE EXACT EXTENT OF THE DECLARATION UNTIL A COPY O IT IS RECEIVED ON SAIPAN. THE TELEGRAM DID NOT GO INTO FURTHER DETAIL

THE TT VETERINARIAN SAID THE WORK DONE BY DR. W.W. THOMAS OF USDA IN HAWAII AND HIMSELF IN INSPECTING FACILITIES FOR SLAUGHTERING MEAT AND RAISING MEAT PRODUCTS IN ALL DISTRICTS EARLIER THIS YEAR HAS RESULTED IN THE CHOLERA-FREE DECLARATION.

PAGE FIVE RUHGSAA5070 UNCLAS DR. SMITH SAID HE WAS SOMEWHAT SURPRISED AT THE SPEED WITH WHICH THE DECISION WAS REACHED.

SHIPMENT OF MEAT FROM ANYWHERE IN THE TT TO GUAM OR OTHER U.S. AREAS IS NOW POSSIBLE PROVIDED IT HAS BEEN PROCESSED IN AN APPROVED TT SLAUGHTERHOUSE, HE SAID. HE ADDED THAT DESIGNATED AMOUNTS OF 50 POUNDS OR LESS OF MEAT MAY BE SHIPPED REGARDLESS OF WHERE PROCESSED WITH SPECIFIC AUTHORIZATION.

THE CHOLERA-FREE DESIGNATION HAD BEEN PARTICULARLY SOUGHT BY LEADERS OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT, ESPECIALLY TINIAN AND ROTA, WHERE MOST TT PORK AND BEEF IS RAISED. (TT DECLARED RABIES FREE)

SAIPAN JUNE 15 (MNS) === TRUST TERRITORY DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER PETER T COLEMAN HAS SIGNED A DECLARATION STATING THAT THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS IS A RABIES = FREE AREA. IF THE DECLARATION IS RECOGNIZED BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF GUAM AND HAWAII IT IS EXPECTED TO PERMIT THE SHIPMENT OF DOGS AND CATS TO AND THROUGH THOSE AREAS WITHOUT QUARANTINE PROCEDURES.

IN A BRIEF CEREMONY IN HIS OFFICE FRIDAY MORNING (JUNE 15), COLEMAN AFFIXED HIS SIGNATURE TO AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING; "WHEREAS, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A CONFIRMED CASE OF RABIES

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IN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS; AND

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"WHEREAS, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE CHIEF OF ANIMAL HEALTH SERVICES HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS BE OFFICIALLY PROCLAIMED A RABIES-FREE AREA; "NOW, THEREFORE, I, PETER T. COLEMAN, DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER OF THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR ORDER 2918 AS AMENDED, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS AS A RABIES-FREE AREA AS OF JUNE 15, 1973. THIS DECLARATION SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT SO LONG AS (1) NO CASE OF RABIES OCCURS WITHIN THE TERRITORY (EXCEPTING ANIMALS UNDER OFFICIAL QUARANTINE); AND (2) THE CHIEF OF ANIMAL HEALTH SERVICES IS CONFIDKT THAT EXISTING CONTROL MEASURES REMAIN ADEQUATE TO PREVENT, WITH REASONABLE ASSURANCE, THE ENTRY OF RABIES INTO THE PACIFIC ISLANDS AND TO DETECT, AT AN EARLY DATE, ANY CASES OF THE DISEASE SHOULD IT INVADE OUR SHORES."

HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR DR MASAO KUMANGAI AND THE CHIEF OF ANIMAL HEALTH SERVICES, DR. WILLIAM SMITH, WITNESSED THE SIGNING. DR SMITH SAID RECOGNITION OF THE RABIES-FREE CONDITION OF THE TRUST TERRITORY WOULD BE SOUGHT FROM APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES

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KWAJALEIN, JUNE 15, (MNS===THE U.S. ARMY HAS ANNOUNCED

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THAT A SERIES OF HIGH-ALTITUDE WEATHER TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE ABOVE THE KWAJALEIN MISSILE RANGE IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS WILL BE CONDUCTED FROM JUNE 16 THROUGH JUNE 19 IN THE EARLY EVENING HOURS. THE TESTS WILL PODUCE COLORED "CLOUDS" VISIBLE TO MOST

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RESIDENTS OF THE MARSHALLPISLANDS AND PONEPE DISTRICTS. THE SERIES OF TESTS WAS FIRST INVOLVE IN APRIL. AT THAT TIME IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT THE TESTS INVOLVE FIRING A ROCKET FROM THE KWAJALEIN RANGE WHICH RELEASES A POWDER CALLED BARIUM. IN VAPOR EORM. THE BARIUM WILL SPREAD OUT LIKE STEAM, BECOMING A VERY FINE DUST CALLED BARIUM OXIDE WHICH WILL REFLECT SUNLIGHT. THE CLOUD ORIGINALLY APPEARS WHITE IN COLOR, THEN TURNS GREEN AND LATER PURPLE. THE TIME ELAPSED FROM APPEARANCE TO DISAPPREARANCE OF THE CLOUD WILL BE ABOUT THIRTY MINUTES.

ARMY OFFICIALS SAID THE TESTS WHICH WILL PODUCE VISIBLE VLOUDS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 16 AND MONDAY, JUNE 18, TRUST TERVITORY TIME. THE TIME OF THE TESTS WILL BE ROUGHLY

7430 TO 8400 P.M. KWAJALEIN TIME.

OFFICIALS STRESS THAT NO HARM WHATSOVER CAN COME FROM THESE TESTS. SIMILAR TESTS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED IN MANYPPARTS OF THE WORLD, INCLUDING OVER PARTS OF THE UNITED STATES; TVEY ARE BEING CHNDUCTED THIS YEAR AT THE KWAJALEIN MISSILE RANGE SO TVAT CERTAIN HIGHLY SENSITIVE TYPES OF CAMERA FOUND ONLY THERE CAN BE USED TO TRACK THE LMUDS.

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