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SUBJECT: NAVY ENGINEERS VISIT TINIAN
REF: PACNAVFACENCOM 230728Z JUN 73
1. VISIT OF US NAVY ENGINEERS, MR. P. D. JOHNSON AND MR. W. C. JOHNSON
TO TINIAN FOR ENGINEERING SURVEY JUNE 29 SEEMS TO HAVE GONE OFF SATIS
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TORILY WITH NO UNFAVORABLE REPERCUSSIONS REPORTED. ADVANCE NOTICE OF
THEIR COMING MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THIS OFFICE TO NOTIFY THOSE PRINCIP
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CONCERNED, I.E., MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION (MPSC) CHAIRMAN PANGELINAN, CO-CHAIRMAN BEN SANTOS, MARIANAS DISTAD ADA AND DEPUTY DISTAD AKIMOTO, TINIAN DISTADREP CHONG, MPSC TINIAN MEMBERS MANGLONA AND HOCOG. THIS NOTIFICATION EXPLAINED THAT VISIT WAS FIRST IN SERIES

OF SUCH MISSIONS TO MAKE ENGINEERING STUDIES IN ORDER THAT WE MIGHT HAVE NECESSARY TECHNICAL INFORMATION TO PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH MPSC IN LINE WITH STATEMENTS MADE DURING RECENT TALKS. ALL WERE VERY RECEPTIVE AND APPEARED APPRECIATIVE OF BEING ADVISED. SANTOS COMMENTED: "PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION IS VERY IMPORTANT, I APPRECIATE NOTIFICATION. WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP?"

2. JOHNSONS WERE MET ON ARRIVAL SAIPAN JUNE 28 BY NAVY LNO PENDLETON WHO ALSO PARTICIPATED IN PRE-VISIT BRIEFING IN MY OFFICE. THEY SHOWED

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GOOD RESULTS OF EARLIER BRIEFING HONOLULU AND COMNAVMAR.

3. ACCORDING TO JOHNSONS WITH WHOM I TALKED AT SOME LENGTH AFTER THEIR

RETURN TO SAIPAN JUNE 29 FOLLOWING DAY'S SURVEY ON TINIAN, THEY RECEIVED FULL COOPERATION WITH NO EVIDENCE OF OPPOSITION OR APPREHENSION

AS TO THEIR PURPOSE. THEY WERE ESCORTED BY MANGLONA AND HOCOG, PLUS TINIAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBER HARRY CRUZ.

4. ONLY QUESTION RELEVANT TO STATUS NEGOTIATIONS WHICH WAS ASKED CAME FROM HOCOG WHO QUERIED THEM AS TO U.S. REACTION TO PETITION CIRCULATED

ON TINIAN PRESENTING CONDITIONS ON AVAILABILITY OF LAND FOR MILITARY USE.

REPLY WAS THAT VISITORS WERE ENGINEERS AND HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THIS MATTER. THEY WERE NOT PRESSED. JOHNSONS COMMENTED TO ME THAT ATTITUDE OF QUESTIONER SEEMED TO INDICATE SOME EMBARRASSMENT ABOUT PETITION. COMMENT: APPARENT SMOOTH PROCEDURE OF JOHNSONS' VISIT WAS DUE TO THEIR THOUGHTFUL, PURPOSELY LOW-KEYED AND FRIENDLY MANNER. THEY WERE CLEARLY TECHNICAL EXPERTS, HOLDING TO THAT ROLE, AND APPARENTLY WERE RECOGNIZED AS SUCH. SMOOTH DEVELOPMENT OF THIS MISSION UNDERSCORES IN

MY VIEW WISDOM OF THOROUGH BRIEFING OF ALL WHO WILL COME ON RELATED MISSIONS AND THE NECESSITY OF AS MUCH ADVANCE NOTICE AS POSSIBLE TO THIS

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OFFICE SO THAT NECESSARY LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE MADE AND LOCAL

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PERSONS CONCERNED MAY BE NOTIFIED AND NOT SURPRISED BY UNIDENTIFIED AMERICANS APPEARING ON TINIAN, TRENT

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