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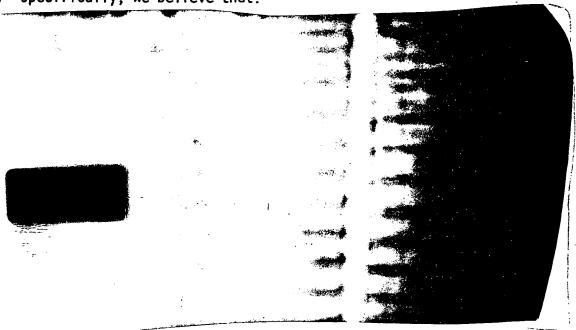
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MICRONESIAN STATUS **NEGOTIATIONS** 

SUBJECT: Study on Continued Negotiations with the Micronesian Joint Committee on Future Status (U)

(U) The final draft of the subject study has been reviewed by Brigadier General A. P. Hanket, USA, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and me as principal members of the Inter Agency Group (IAG) from the Department of Defense. We believe that the IAG study is basically sound and illuminates the critical negotiation issues likely to be encountered. Therefore, we recommend that the study be submitted to the NSC Under Secretaries Committee, although we do have several reservations over its structure and content.

(S) Specifically, we believe that:



Director, EA&PA (ISA) : SUBJECT TO GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652. AUTOMATICALEY DOWNGRADED AT TWO YEAR INTERVALS. DECLASSIFIED ON THERE





For the foregoing reasons the Department of Defense found it necessary to footnote and provide supplementary annexes to the study where appropriate to reflect Defense positions. Additionally, there were several areas in the draft chapters dealing with land, termination, and the future political relationship where inconsistencies were noted among the basic text, executive summary, and negotiating instructions. These specific areas were discussed at the working level and it is understood that the final version forwarded to the Under Secretaries Committee will contain corrections.

(U) It is anticipated that our comments on the substantive matters will also be forwarded to the NSC Under Secretaries Committee after the study is circulated for formal departmental clearance.

Definis & Lector Secretary,