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SUBJECT: TEXT OF WILLIAMS-SALII JOINT PRESS RELEASE RE MARIANAS
STATUS NEGOTIATIONS
REF: TTPI NO. 482
FOLLOWING, FOR RECORD IN THIS SERIES, IS JOINT STATEMENT OF SEPTEMBER
4, TEXT OF WHICH CARRIED BY MNS (REFTEL):
BEGIN TEXT: AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS, THE PRESIDENT'S

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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS AND SENATOR LAZARUS SALII, CHAIRMAN OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA'S JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS, MET ON GUAM AUGUST 30 TO DISCUSS A WIDE RANGE OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE FUTURE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS. ALSO PRESENT WERE CONGRESSMAN EKPAP SILK, CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE, AND CAPTAIN RICHARD SCOTT, USN, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS.

LIKE OTHER INFORMAL SESSIONS WHICH THE CHAIRMEN OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS HAVE BEEN HOLDING APPROXIMATELY MONTHLY, THE CONSTRUCTIVE FRUITFUL DISCUSSION OF AUGUST 30 MADE AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE PREPARATORY WORK GOING FORWARD PRIOR TO THE RESUMPTION OF TALKS BY THE FULL DELEGATIONS LATER THIS AUTUM. IT WAS AGREED THAT

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THE PRIMARY COMMON OBJECTIVE REMAINS THE EARLY COMPLETION OF THE NECESSARY PREPARATORY WORK AND SUBSEQUENT COMPLETION OF THE DRAFT COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION.

AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS NOTED THAT TWO U.S. FACT FINDING TEAMS HAVE JUST COMPLETED TOURS OF ALL THE DISTRICTS AND HE GAVE SENATOR SALII SUMMARIES OF THEIR PRELIMINARY REPORTS ON VIEWS EXPRESSED TO THEM IN THE DISTRICTS ON THE PUBLIC LANDS QUESTION. ADDITIONAL STUDIES ON LAND WILL BE MADE PRIOR TO A MEETING OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS.

ALSO DISCUSSED WERE THE ECONOMIC MORATORIUM ON TINIAN AND PENDING CHARGES INVOLVING THREE MEMBERS OF THE TRUST TERRITORY ADMINISTRATION.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WAS POLITICAL EDUCATION. THERE WAS AGREEMENT ON THE NEED FOR AN EXTENSIVE POLITICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE MICRONESIAN PEOPLE. SENATOR SALII AND AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS FELT THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HOLD FURTHER DISCUSSION ON HOW SUCH A PROGRAM MIGHT BEST BE DESIGNED AND IMPLEMENTED. THEY PLANNED TO CONSULT WITH THE TTPI ADMINISTRATION ON THE MATTER AT AN EARLY DATE.

FINALLY, THE TWO SIDES DISCUSSED THE TIME TABLE FOR THE RESUMPTION OF TALKS BY THEIR FULL DELEGATIONS. IT WAS FELT THAT IN

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VIEW OF THE WORK STILL TO BE ACCOMPLISHED, PARTICULARLY ON
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NOT MEET UNTIL LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER. END TEXT TRENT
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