

Transitional ProvisionsSection 801

(a) Unless otherwise specifically provided, Articles II and III: Sections 602(a) and 604 of Article VI, Sections _____ of Article VII, and Article VIII shall become effective upon the approval of the Covenant. The remainder of the Covenant shall become effective upon the establishment of the Commonwealth, provided, however, that the President of the United States will have the power to make effective at an earlier date so much of the remainder of this Covenant and so much of the Constitution of the Northern Mariana Islands as he deems consistent with the continuation of the Trusteeship. This power may include the establishment of an interim government for the Northern Marianas and their separate administration/in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(b) Any determination of the President of the United States that the trusteeship has terminated or that it will terminate on the day of the establishment of the Commonwealth, or that any provision made effective by him is consistent with the continuation of the Trusteeship shall be final, and shall not be subject to review by any officer of the Executive Branch or by any court of the United States, nor by any authority of the Commonwealth.

Section 802. The President of the United States will appoint a commission of seven persons, at least three of whom shall be residents of the Northern Mariana Islands, to survey the field of Federal statutes, including federal services and assistance programs. That commission shall make recommendations to the Congress of the United States, within twelve months after the establishment of the Commonwealth, as to which statutes of the United States not applicable to the Northern Mariana Islands should be made applicable to them and which statutes applicable at that time should be made inapplicable.