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SUBJECT: REACTIONS IN WAKE OF MARIANAS III AND JCFS VII

1. (C) HEIGHTENED INTEREST AND FAVORABLE RESPONSE HAVE BEEN MARKED IN REACTIONS ON SAIPAN FOLLOWING CONCLUSION THIRD ROUND MARIANAS STATUS NEGOTIATIONS. AS MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION CHAIRMAN PANGELINAN EXPRESSED IT AT AIRPORT FAREWELL TO AMB. WILLIAMS AND PARTY "NOW WE REALLY FEEL WE'RE ON OUR WAY."

2. (C) THIS ATTITUDE ALSO CONVEYED IN GENERAL CONVERSATIONS. THERE HAS BEEN MORE DIRECT INDICATION OF INTEREST AND AWARENESS OF STATUS NEGOTIATIONS ON PART OF TT ADMINISTRATION THAN PREVIOUSLY WAS THE CASE. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS AFTER AMBASSADOR WILLIAM'S MEETING WITH CABINET DECEMBER 20 FOCUS SPECIFICALLY ON <sup>SUCH</sup> SUBJECTS AS CITIZENSHIP VS. NATIONALITY FOR PEOPLE OF MARIANAS, CONCERN ABOUT US CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TO CONTEMPLATED STATUS FOR NORTHERN MARIANAS, COST OF ENTIRE TINIAN PROJECT, INCLUDING MOVING VILLAGE, CONCERN ON PART OF NON-MARIANAS RESIDENTS (SUCH AS RANKING PALAUAN TT OFFICIALS) WHO HAVE ESTABLISHED RESIDENCE ON SAIPAN. THESE CONCERNS HAVE NOT REFLECTED OPPOSITION

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POINT AND INDICATE FIELDS IN WHICH WE ~~WILL~~ WORK TO OFFER FULLER EXPLANATION.

3. (C) NON-OFFICIAL REACTION WHICH I HAVE PICKED UP ON THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING CIRCUIT SHOW <sup>NEW</sup> INTEREST AND AWARENESS, ~~NOT NOTED ABOVE~~. PRINCIPAL ~~INTEREST~~ <sup>DESIRE</sup> SEEMS TO BE TO GET ON WITH THE JOB QUICKLY IN ORDER, AS A HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER EXPRESSED IT, "TO KNOW OUR STATUS, OUR CITIZENSHIP AND WHAT KIND OF JOBS PEOPLE WILL HAVE." FINANCIAL DETAILS ARE OF COURSE SUBJECT OF <sup>ATTENTION</sup> ~~INTEREST~~ INCLUDING CURIOSITY AS TO FUTURE TAXATION.

4. (C) PRESS AND MNS HAVE PROVIDED EXTENSIVE COVERAGE, LATTER CARRYING COMMUNIQUE IN FULL. PACIFIC DAILY NEWS DECEMBER 22 CARRIED SUBSTANTIAL EXCERPTS IN MADDEX' STORY. SHE COMMENTED THAT COMMUNIQUE "PRESENTED MORE DETAILED AGREEMENT ON HOW THE MARIANAS WILL BE TAXED THAN ON ANY OTHER AREA." MARIANAS VARIETY DECEMBER 21 ALSO GAVE GENEROUS COVERAGE UNDER FRONT PAGE "US MARIANAS TALKS - MAJOR AGREEMENTS REACHED." MURPHY'S PDN COMMENTS DECEMBER 21 POINT<sup>§</sup> UP HIGH PER CAPITA PROSPECTIVE US CONTRIBUTION TO NORTHERN MARIANAS AND COMMENTS THAT THIS GENEROUS AMOUNT LOOKS GOOD AND COULD ALSO BE A GOOD BARGAIN FOR THE US IN RETURN FOR TINIAN BASE.

5. (C) COMMENT: REACTIONS AND GENERAL INTEREST UNDERLINE NEED TO KEEP UP THE MOMENTUM AND TO CONTINUE TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO OUR PLANS. OVER NEXT FEW WEEKS THERE WILL BE SEVERAL TEAMS ON TINIAN WORKING UNDER USAF IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT. WE ARE CARRYING OUT PROCEDURE <sup>NEEDED TO COPE WITH LOCAL SENSITIVITIES,</sup> FOR NOTIFICATION AND LOGISTICS, VARIED WORK OF THESE GROUPS SHOULD SHOW OUR PRACTICAL PREPARATION.

6. (C) ONE OF MOST FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENTS IS SENATOR LAZARUS SALII'S <sup>RELEASE</sup> ~~WORDS~~ TO PRESS, CARRIED BY MNS AND PDN DECEMBER 22 CONCERNING HIS MEETING ON SAIPAN WITH AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS DECEMBER 19. SALII SAID HE HAD "NEVER BEEN MORE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT PROSPECT OF SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS BY BOTH COMMITTEES ON FUTURE STATUS." REPORTING ON HIS SAIPAN MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR AND

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