

MEMORANDUM FOR THE AMERICAN DELEGATION  
SAN JOSE VILLAGE  
TINIAN, MARIANA ISLANDS

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The Honorable Franklin Hayden Williams  
Chairman of the American Delegation  
Marianas U.S. Status  
Saipan, Mariana Islands

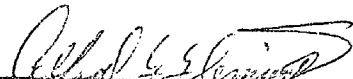
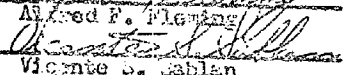
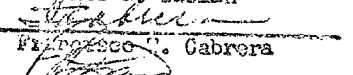
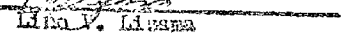
Dear Mr. Ambassador:

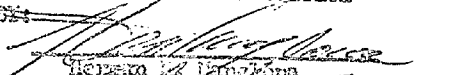
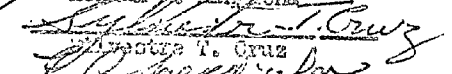
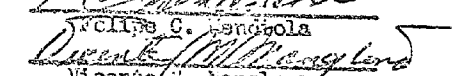

In behalf of the people of Tinian Island, we present the Proclamation of the people of Tinian, for your guidance.

The proclamation contains over 191 signatures more than 70 % of the eligible voters of Tinian Island even though the drive to obtain signatures was just commenced Monday, May 13. Thus, as more signatures come in, we will be forwarding the same to you.

Your actions regarding Tinian Island and the residents thereof, should be guided solely by their desires and wishes as outlined in the Proclamation.

Very truly yours,  
TINIAN COMMITTEE FOR JUSTICE

  
Alfred F. Fleming  
  
Vicente S. Sablan  
  
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cc: Members of the Marianas Political Status Commission  
The President of the United States, Washington, D.C.  
The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.  
The Presiding Officer, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

TINIAN PROCLAMATION

DATED: 5/19/74

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, ALL BEING 18 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER, RESIDENTS OF THE ISLAND OF TINIAN, IN THE MARIANA ISLANDS, PACIFIC OCEAN, DO HEREBY MAKE THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION:

FIRST. NEITHER WE, NOR OUR PREDECESSORS, HAVE EVER COMMITTED ANY ACTS OF AGGRESSION AGAINST ANY PERSON OR NATION. TO THE CONTRARY, WE AND OUR PREDECESSORS HAVE BEEN THE RECIPIENTS OF AGGRESSIVE ACTS FROM VARIOUS NATIONS. THUS, WE RECOGNIZE NO CLAIM TO THE ISLAND OF TINIAN BY VIRTUE OF CONQUEST BY WAR OR OTHERWISE. ACCORDINGLY, WE CONTEND THAT THE ISLAND OF TINIAN BELONGS TO THE INHABITANTS THEREOF.

SECOND. THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MAY ESTABLISH MILITARY FACILITIES ON THE ISLAND OF TINIAN, BUT ONLY INsofar AS IT INVOLVES THE NORTHERN ONE-THIRD (1/3), AND CERTAINLY NOT THE ENTIRE ISLAND, NOR EVEN TWO-THIRDS (2/3). THE HARBOR AND EXISTING AIRFIELD SHALL BE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE PEOPLE OF TINIAN.

THIRD. FOR ESTABLISHING ITS FACILITIES ON THE NORTHERN 1/3 OF THE ISLAND, THE UNITED STATES MILITARY MUST PAY A FAIR RENTAL FOR THE USE OF SUCH LAND TO THE INHABITANTS OF TINIAN.

FOURTH. THE VILLAGE OF SAN JOSE--AND ITS INHABITANTS--SHALL NOT BE RELOCATED.

FIFTH. WE DEPLORE AND CONDEMN THE "SALES" PITCH AND TACTICS UTILIZED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES MILITARY OR THEIR RELENTLESS ATTEMPTS TO CONVINCe THE INHABITANTS THAT "WHAT IS GOOD FOR THE MILITARY IS GOOD FOR TINIAN". THE "LAND GRAB" TACTICS EMPLOYED ON GUAM SEVERAL YEARS AGO, SHALL NOT BE REPEATED IN TINIAN.

SIXTH. THE ECONOMIC MORATORIUM IMPOSED ON THE ISLAND OF TINIAN BY THE TRUST TERRITORY ADMINISTRATION IS ARBITRARY AND CAPRICIOUS, AND

