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MEMORANDUM FOR BRIGADIER GENERAL JONES, MILITARY ASSISTANT TO DEPSECDEF

SUBJECT: Meeting with Ambassador Williams, Marianas Negotiations

Ambassador Haydn Williams, the President's Personal Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations, is spending the week of 17 June in Washington to report on the successful Fourth Round of Marianas Status Negotiations conducted on Saipan, 15-31 May. At this round, the Marianas Commission agreed in principle to satisfy Defense land requirements and to an annual level of Federal support at \$13.5 million. These agreements are tentative, however, since the Ambassador must obtain a Presidential authorization to exceed the current ceiling of \$12 million for Federal support.

While the Marianas Commission agreed to satisfy the US military land requirements, certain provisos were attached concerning joint-use or lease back of certain areas for compatible purposes. Additionally, major land issues remain to be negotiated such as: purchasing or leasing, lump sum or annual payments, method of establishing land values, and total costs of these lands. It was agreed to form a joint land committee to work out agreement on both the land use and land acquisition issues this summer. The Ambassador will ask for personnel from several DOD organizations to staff the US side of this committee, but will attempt to put them under a chairman in the employ of Interior/TT Government - an arrangement inimical to DOD interests.

In addition to handling well DOD's last minute change to not relocate the Tinian village of San Jose, the Ambassador made much of Interior's \$2.2 million dollar plan for a Saipan memorial park. It would be useful for DepSecDef to hear Ambassador Williams' debrief, as he has several times in the past. We have tentatively reserved on DepSecDef's calendar 1400 on Tuesday, 18 June. The Ambassador is scheduled to debrief Admiral Moorer at 1500, that day.

ASD/ISA concurs.

(Signed) Edward A. Dinges

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