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SUBJ: POST-MARIANAS IV: REACTION
REF: STATUS LNO 170C

1. (C) FUTHER TALKS WITH MPSC MEMBERS AND INTERESTED OBSERVERS OF
MARIANAS IV CONTINUE TO SUPPORT GIST OF REFTEL TO EFFECT THAT TALKS
ARE VIEWED AS CONSIDERABLE STEP FORWARD TOWARD DESIRABLE GOAL OF

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COMMONWEALTH AGREEMENT WHICH SHOULD BE REALIZED THIS YEAR.

2. (C) MPSC MEMBER PETE TENORIO, WHOSE PENETRATING AND PERSISTENT QUESTIONING, SOMETIMES IN RATHER NEGATIVE VEIN, WAS CONSPICUOUS FEATURE OF MARIANAS IV, VOLUNTEERED COMMENT TO ME IN MY OFFICE JUNE 6 "I FEEL PRETTY GOOD ABOUT OUR TALKS. THE ATMOSPHERE WAS GOOD." HE ADDED A COMMENT THAT PROBABLY DESCRIBES THE FEELING OF MANY AROUND THE TABLE WHEN HE SAID: "WE WORKED SO HARD THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET UNWOUND NOW."

3. (C) TENORIO SHOWED FEELING OF URGENCY TO GET ON WITH NEEDED IMPLEMENTATION OF MARIANAS IV. REFERRING TO THE FEELING OF MOMENTUM WHICH TALKS GENERATED, HE SAID HE HOPED THE COMMITTEES DESCRIBED IN THE TALKS WOULD GET ON WITH THEIR ORGANIZATION AND WORK RAPIDLY AND HE COMMENTED THAT THE DISTAD "NEEDS A SHOVE" IN ORDER TO GET THE CIVIL/MILITARY RELATIONS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OFF THE GROUND. TENORIO EXPRESSED GREAT INTEREST IN HAVING BEEN APPOINTED TO THE LAND COMMITTEE ALONG WITH JOE CRUZ AND BEN MANGLONA.

4. (C) TENORIO'S ENTHUSIASM FOR MARIANAS IV ACHIEVEMENT IS SOMEWHAT TEMPERED BY HIS DISAPPOINTMENT THAT DISTRICT SURVEY CONTRACT UNDER ACCELERATED CADASTER PROGRAM WAS NOT AWARDED TO HIS FIRM. I COMMENTED THAT THIS WAS A SUBJECT FOR TT AND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION TO HANDLE AND THAT (AS I HAD ASCERTAINED) HIS FIRM MIGHT BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUB-CONTRACT WORK ON THE PROJECT.

5. (C) IN CONVERSATION JUNE 10 MPSC MEMBER BEN CAMACHO, WHO HAD JUST BEEN REELECTED TO THE SAIPAN MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE, SPOKE HAPPILY OF THE MARIANAS IV TALKS AND SAID HE HOPED THAT DURING THE NEXT SESSION "WE WILL ACCOMPLISH AS MUCH AS WE DID THIS TIME."

6. (C) IN DISCUSSION IN MY OFFICE JUNE 7, FELIX RABULIMAN, WHO REPRESENTS CAROLINIANS IN THE MARIANAS, EXPRESSED QUIET BUT UNQUALIFIED GRATIFICATION AT RESULTS OF MARIANAS IV. HE HAS PLANNED MEETINGS WITH CAROLINIAN COMMUNITY NEXT WEEK TO EXPLAIN DETAILS. HE SAYS CAROLINIANS ARE PRETTY WELL AWARE OF WHAT HAS TAKEN PLACE, AND ARE ESPECIALLY PLEASED AT PROSPECT OF MEMORIAL PARK IN MICRO BEACH AREA. HE SAYS THEY WANT MANAGAHA ISLANDS TO BE INCLUDED, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF MONUMENT THERE MARKING EARLY ARRIVAL OF CAROLINIANS IN NORTHERN MARIANAS. (COMMENT: I SUGGEST THAT AT APPROPRIATE TIME WE SUPPORT THIS DESIRE. TO DO SO WOULD BE WELCOME GESTURE TO CAROLINIAN COMMUNITY AND WOULD MAKE BEAUTIFUL ADDITION, ALREADY ENJOYED BY MANY, TO PARK AREA.)

7. (C) IN FURTHER REFERENCE TO RELATED ACTIVITIES AMONG CAROLINIANS, RABULIMAN TOLD ME THAT TRADITIONAL LEADERS OF FOUR PRINCIPAL CAROLINIAN CLANS OF SAIPAN HAD CHOSEN MPSC MEMBER AND TERRITORIAL PARTY HEAD DR. PALACIOS TO BE THEIR REPRESENTATIVE AND SPOKESMAN IN PLACE RESERVED FOR TRADITIONAL LEADERS AT CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

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(COMMENT: ALTHOUGH PALACIOS' MOTHER WAS PART CAROLINIAN, HE ALSO HAS CHAMORRO AND JAPANESE ANCESTRY. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HIS CREDENTIALS FOR WHAT IN CAROLINIAN EYES IS PRESTIGIOUS POSITION, INDICATES RESPECT FOR HIS VIEWS AND HIS COMPETENCE IN PRESENTING THEM. THIS MAKES ALL THE MORE SIGNIFICANT PALACIOS' FIRM SUPPORT FOR EARLY MOVE TOWARD SEPARATE ADMINISTRATION (STATUS LNO 166C, PARA. 20).

8. (C) I CAME UPON DR. PALACIOS JUNE 11 AT GATHERING OF CAROLINIANS ON BEACH NEAR CHALAN KANOA TO WELCOME TWO OUTRIGGERS AND THEIR CREWS WHO HAD SAILED THE 500 MILES IN TRADITIONAL VOYAGE FROM SATAWAL IN YAP OUTER ISLANDS. PALACIOS WAS OBVIOUSLY ENJOYING HIS HEIGHTENED CAROLINIAN PRESTIGE. HE TOLD ME QUITE SERIOUSLY THAT WHEREAS RABULIMAN WAS LIKE A PRIME MINISTER TO THE CAROLINIANS IN THE MARIANAS, HE (PALACIOS) WAS THEIR CHIEF OF STATE. COMMENTING ON FULL SWEEP OF POPULAR PARTY IN SAIPAN MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE ELECTION JUNE 9 (STATUS LNO 177), PALACIOS, SPEAKING AS HEAD OF TERRITORIAL PARTY, ACCUSED HIS OPPONENTS OF CANCELLING REGISTRATION OF TERRITORIAL PARTY VOTERS, MANY OF WHOM, HE SAID, FOUND WHEN THEY GOT TO THE POLLS THAT THEY WERE NOT ON VOTERS' LIST DESPITE EARLIER REGISTRATION.

9. (C) A MOST INTERESTING CONVERSATION WAS FAIRLY LENGTHY ONE WITH MPSC VICE CHAIRMAN BEN SANTOS JUNE 10. SANTOS NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE LAND CADASTER PROGRAM IN THE MARIANAS IS NOW GOING WELL. HE SAID HE HAD SEEN THE SURVEYORS AT WORK AT FIRSTHAND AND THAT PEOPLE CONCERNED WERE PLEASED TO HAVE THIS UNDERWAY. HE SAID ONE OLD MAN EXPRESSING HIS SATISFACTION AT PROSPECT OF LAND PROBLEM BEING SETTLED, HAD SAID HE WAS "VERY PLEASED WITH THE MARIANAS STATUS NEGOTIATIONS." SANTOS FOUND THE OLD MAN, A NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING CHAMORRO, SURPRISINGLY WELL INFORMED ABOUT THE TALKS AND PLEASED FOR WHAT HE SAW AS THE BETTER PROSPECTS FOR HIS CHILDREN. SANTOS EXPRESSED VIEW THAT THIS IS THOUGHT HELD BY MANY MARIANAS SENIOR CITIZENS.

10. (C) SANTOS ALSO SAID THAT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE RESIDUE OF FEELING OF REGRET, NOT ONLY ON TINIAN BUT ON SAIPAN AS WELL, THAT OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD A NEW VILLAGE ON TINIAN WAS LOST. SANTOS SAID A TINIANESE HAD TOLD HIM "MPSC MEMBERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR LIFE FOR HAVING DEPRIVED VILLAGERS OF THIS CHANCE FOR NEW HOUSES." SPOKESMAN HAD MAINTAINED THAT RELOCATION WAS NO EMOTIONAL PROBLEM SINCE PEOPLE HAD NO ATTACHMENT TO THEIR VILLAGE SITE. I RESPONDED ALONG LINES OF AMBASSADOR'S REMARKS ON THIS SUBJECT AT TINIAN PUBLIC MEETING, NOTING THAT THERE HAD BEEN STRONG EVIDENCE OF CAMPAIGN OF OPPOSITION TO VILLAGE RELOCATION. (COMMENT: SANTOS DID NOT PURSUE THE SUBJECT, BUT HIS REPORT TENDS TO STRENGTHEN LIKELIHOOD THAT WE MAY HEAR MORE OF THIS COMPLAINT AS WE WORK THROUGH THE FINAL DETAILS ON THE LAND ISSUE.)

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11. (C) SANTOS ALSO REFERRED TO WIDE INTEREST IN SUBJECT OF EMINENT DOMAIN. I QUESTIONED HIM ON THIS POINT, AND HE ASSERTED THAT PEOPLE DID INDEED UNDERSTAND WHAT TERM MEANS. HE SAID OLDER CITIZENS RECALLED BAD EXPERIENCE WHEN JAPANESE, LIKE SOME OF THEIR COLONIAL PREDECESSORS, HAD TAKEN PRIVATE LAND FOR PUBLIC USE WITHOUT COMPENSATION AND WITH BRUSK EVICTION OF OWNERS. I STRESSED THAT, OF COURSE, SUCH MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE HAD NO PLACE IN OUR DEFINITION

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