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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION FILE Subject: Coversation With Adrian DeGraffenried

Adrian called me this morning to inform me that the High Commissioner has vetoed the public land bill, and has also vetoed the amendments to the Constitutional Convention bill. With respect to the latter, the veto was based on a number of technical reasons as well as the policy objection that it would have required the Marianas to vote on the Micronesian Constitution. Adrian is to send me copies of the statements which accompanied the vetoes.

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