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OUTLINE OF U.S. STATEMENT ON TRANSITION

- Fifth Round -

I. Introduction

-- Definition of "transition measures" and time frame. - i.e. Phase I begins with signing of the status agreement;

-- Brief review of past agreements such as salient points of the approved ad-hoc committee report on transition;

-- Status of U.S. request for additional funds to cover work and activities outlined in the report on transition.

II. U.S. concept or proposals regarding major steps between now and June 30, 1975, e.g. referendum on separate administration.

III. Proposals regarding steps or actions that should be taken between now and the time funds are made available.

-- Proposed division of labor, keyed to above actions, e.g. MPSC to select Director of the Secretariat;

-- Request to Secretary of the Interior that HICOM be directed to initiate studies of special problems associated with organization of the new government and local impact of the movement of the capitol; etc.;

-- Activation of Transition Commission.

IV. Exchange of views on ESG, what can U.S. do to ensure successful local program and suggestion that MPSC draft an action plan.

V. Discussion of special problems - e.g. how to exclude hostile aliens from voting in status plebiscite or sabotaging local referenda on separate administration or constitution and role of new Marianas legislators in the COM, should they boycott the JCFS?