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Notes for Joint Drafting Committee Meeting

General

- timing of round
- results of Hawaii meeting
- EDLGP coming to Washington
- status of Joint Committee talks
- DistAd veto message
- Ex Order transferring land
- land negotiating committee report
- military retention land response

Items Worth Discussing in November 1 Joint Working Draft

- § 105(b) (mutual consent lists): further U.S. position?
- MPSC § 105(c) (method of giving mutual consent): acceptable?
- § 202 (U.S. approval of NMI Constitution): further U.S. position? (see also § 1003)
- § 203 (d) (NMI court system compatible): why need in view of supremacy clause?

- § 501 (a) (U.S. Constitution applicability):
why not drop references to Congressional power?

- § 502 (formula): further U.S. position on intra-
Marianas matters or technical feasibility?

- § 503(a)(2) (fishing laws): U.S. confirm with
customs that these are not picked up by formula because not
applicable to Guam and so state in legislative history and
we'll drop.

- § 504 (citizenship/nationality in re shipping/
maritime laws): U.S. commit to seek legislation and handle
problem and we'll drop.

- §§ 601, 602 (tax): response from Treasury? begin
work on draft implementing bill for 602? time of effective-
ness of 602?

- § 603 (b)(2) (customs): prepared to drop MPSC
§ 603(c) in view of explanation.

- § 603 (c) (NMI goods entering U.S. customs
territory): MPSC wording acceptable?

- §605 (social security): further U.S. position
promised.

- §606 (b) (limit on indebtedness): if U.S. takes
our wording, we'll state in legislative history that such
limits might be agreed to with respect to future multi-year
periods of assistance.

- § 702 (c) (use federal funds to match): further U.S. position?

- Article VIII (Property): we have new discussion draft of Article, other than land alienation restraints and future U.S. acquisition.

- § 902 (consultation): U.S. response to our latest proposal?

- § 1001(b) (method of U.S. approval): ours OK if make clear enactment can be by joint resolution?

- § 1002 (establishment of Commonwealth): why need anything more than our § 1006, second sentence?

- § 1004 (effective dates): we have a revised draft with some technical wording changes and a few substantive changes.

Other

- HM and MSH meet Friday to implement agreements; another Joint Drafting Committee meeting next (Tuesday?)

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