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TO SECSTATE WASHINGTON DC

UNCLAS. PASS TO SECRETARY ROGERS C.B. MORTON X AT RECENT DISCUSSIONS  
IN HONOLULU CMM AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS INFORMED THE JOINT COMMITTEE  
ON FUTURE STATUS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR WAS PRESENTLY  
ENGAGED IN THE DRAFTING OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER WHICH WOULD PROVIDE  
FOR THE RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS IN MICRONESIA TO THE PEOPLE THEREOF  
X WE STATED OUR POSITION TO AMBASSADOR WILLIAMS, AND RESTATE IT HERE  
TO YOU CMM THAT THE RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED  
BY LEGISLATION ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF MICKONESIA CMM AND TO THIS  
EXTENT SEEK YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE REPASSAGE OF  
SENATE BILL 296 WHICH WAS DISAPPROVED BY HIGH COMMISSIONER JOHNSTON  
FOLLOWING CLOSE OF AUGUST 1974 SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CONGRESS OF  
MICRONESIA X I THEREFORE STRONGLY URGE THAT REPRESENTATIVES FROM  
INTERIOR CMM TTPI AND CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA MEET ON SAIPAN IN  
NEAR FUTURE TO ATTEMPT TO COME UP WITH A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE DRAFT  
BILL FOR FORTHCOMING COM SESSION X LAZARUS I. SALII CMM  
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