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PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF SECRETARIAL ORDER ON RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS, BELIEVE IT ADVISABLE TO CONSULT WITH KEY MICRONESIAN ELECTED OFFICIALS AND APPROPRIATE HICOM STAFF. REQUEST YOU EXTEND INVITATION TO COM LEADERSHIP AND JCFS CO-CHAIRMEN TO MEET INTERIOR OFFICIALS IN HONOLULU MONDAY DEC TWO FOR THIS PURPOSE. SUGGEST TO COM LEADERSHIP WE WOULD ALSO WELCOME PARTICIPATION OF HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN WHO DEAL WITH LAND-QUESTION AS APPROPRIATE. FURTHER REQUEST YOU ASK ALL DISTANDS TO EXTEND OR BE REPRESENTED AS APPROPRIATE ON THIS VITAL ISSUE. EXPECT SECRETARIAL ORDER TO BE RELEASED SHORTLY AFTER HONOLULU CONSULTATIONS.

ASSUMING DATE AND SITE OF MEETING ARE AGREEABLE TO MICRONESIANS, WE WOULD WANT APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATION FROM TTPI ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE YOURSELF OR DEPUTY HICOM AND REPS FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND LANDS AND SURVEY. CARPENTER SENDS.  
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