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U.S. PROPOSAL - TINIAN

A. Lands within military boundaries lying south of West Field, extending from coast to coast.

- All lands south of present West Field including the harbor area could be made available to Government of Northern Mariana Islands on an out-grant basis.
- Terms of payment - nominal (\$1.00 per year per acre).
- Out-grant for ten years with renewal rights except for lands in immediate harbor area which would be on a five year basis, renewable.
- Area includes approximately 1,335 acres.

B. Lands north of West Field, east of Broadway.

- Continue to be used in accordance with terms and conditions of current lease with Micronesian Development Corporation.
- Area includes approximately 2,915 acres.

C. Out-grants in area north of West Field and west of Broadway.

- U.S. prepared to make out-grants for continuation of ten out of twelve existing grazing leases in proposed maneuver area.
 - Two areas in area with high probability of being used by U.S. forces and are unsuitable. Possible to find substitute land for these two.
 - Grazing land comprises 610 acres.
- In addition, 38 deeded homesteads exist in maneuver area--approximately 503 acres.
 - U.S. needs to acquire rights to these lands.
 - U.S. recommends owners be given opportunity to exchange lands for comparable land outside maneuver area.

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- Owners would be fully compensated and receive appropriate relocation compensation.
- After acquiring rights, U.S. prefers on case by case basis to make out-grants to former homestead owners to continue to use land for agricultural purposes on same terms and conditions applicable to currently leased public lands and military retention lands in military retention area.

Total acreage covered by U.S. proposal is 5,363 acres.

D. San Jose Harbor.

- U.S. willing to reduce acreage in harbor area by nine acres.

- Southern 600 feet of wharf and adjacent land to east.

E. Restrictions. Land use must be compatible with planned military use-- e.g., grazing, agriculture.

- In the event of a national emergency out-grant land must be recoverable by the U.S.

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