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CHECK-LIST OF LAND AND MILITARY RELATED ISSUES
FOR POSSIBLE DISCUSSION

Following is a description of major issues impacting on U.S. land acquisition, which may be appropriate for discussion during the Honolulu talks. Some are for mutual exchanges of information (and to test Eddie's reaction) and some are substantive:

A. Farallon de Medinilla

1. Environmental Impact Statement Publication

Status: Draft report is finished - Give Eddie Pangelinan a copy
- no hearings will be held on this one unless specific issues or disagreements are expressed in writing during ensuing sixty day period. - Final report will then be prepared.

Question -

2. Possible reservations of Senator Borja on future U.S. use of the island.

Status: Understand Senator Borja, after his recent helicopter trip to Farralon, is now in general agreement --- (Military investigators have been most complimentary of Senator Borja and his knowledgeable assistance during their survey of the island)

B. Tanapag Harbor:

1. Boundary between "C" Dock and "A" Dock. Emphasize U.S. flexibility on the issue so long as proposed development is port oriented.

Status: The U.S. position as stated during Marianas III is that in order to facilitate an orderly civil port development that the U.S. is willing to consider adjusting the northern boundary of the area to be retained, as far south as pier "A".

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2. The U.S. Memorial Park in Tanapag.- (See separate brief and sketches from Mr. Watt) - Touch on Interior/DOD cooperation and the prospects for early initiatives by the U.S.

Status: The U.S. has stated an intent to create such a park on most of the 320 acres to be retained in the harbor. The MPSC was receptive, but made no formal commitment of support, asking simply if the U.S. could make such a park a joint memorial, including the people of the Northern Marianas that were killed in WW II.

- a. Fee-simple ownership of land may be required to facilitate development.
- b. SEABEE clean-up could start soon.
- c. Planning consultations with Marianas leadership will be desirable.

C. Isely Field - No new developments: U.S. Requirement is still firm.

D. Tinian Island

1. The minimum nature of our current stated land requirements - The U.S. has now expressed its minimum acceptable position on land (northern 2/3), the acquisition of which is a requisite to the status agreement.

2. The need for an early MPSC commitment on the major land requirement issues to permit continued planning progress:

- a. General agreement on base boundaries.
- b. General agreement on relocation.

3. The detailed planning that will then follow:

- a. Village planning - including ~~specific~~ home designs.
- b. Utilities planning
- c. Road and Highway planning.

4. Planned dissemination of illustrations to Tinian leadership -

[Copies of the illustrations could be given to Eddie during the discussion.]

MR. DOVE bringing illustrations with him on 22 MAR.

5. The upcoming Tinian referendum as it may influence future status and land talks and methods for ensuring that the people have the true picture. --- (Further discussion of this issue would largely be a continuation of your telephone conversation on the same subject).

a. Action we have taken. (See separate

b. Actions we plan (Tinian Action Plan)

6. San Jose relocation problem

a. The need to have free discussions with the Tinian people on site determination of new village.

b. What role MPSC expects to play?

(1) None

(2) Persuasion, or

(3) Condemnation

(Note: This subject may not be appropriate to the atmosphere of the Honolulu meeting)

7. Moratorium (See separate paper)

a. As it is affected by new village planning - new village site must be determined first.

b. As it is affected by the decisions of the current property owners in Northern 2/3 - they get first priority behind village siting.

c. As it is affected by Ken Jones - Explain some U.S. options.

d. Possible solutions (see moratorium paper).

E. General Land Questions

1. Effect of COM failure to pass land transfer bill.

a. Will this delay/change MPSC plans.

b. What actions will MPSC and Marianas District Legislature now take.

c. What would be recommended U.S. actions.

2. Discuss possibility of a military/Marianas' farm produce marketing session:

a. Commander Westlake will have a proposal (satisfactory to Navy and Air Force) when he arrives in Honolulu - and will be prepared to brief you on the problems of the program.

b. Caution - While this idea principally envisages influencing the voters of Tinian, it would be a great mistake to exclude Rota. - Therefore such a session should be Marianas wide.

3. Titles VII of the draft covenant.

a. U.S. needs agreement, that ^{Title VII} ~~this~~ will be substantively discussed at next session.

b. U.S. needs a commitment at least as to general boundaries.

4. Remind him of upcoming Marine exercise "Operation Quickjab" now scheduled for June.

5. Activation of a joint Civil/Military Community Planning Council (See separate paper).

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