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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Willens

FROM: R. K. Kelley

RE: Marianas

As we discussed over the telephone today, I spoke with Adrian de Graffenried today to obtain the background materials on the Guam Commission Report.

After our discussion of those background materials, Adrian asked when I thought there might be further meetings of the joint working group of lawyers. I replied that I simply did not know. Adrian then stated that he was expecting that Ambassador Williams, on his return from the current meetings in Honolulu, would be asking Adrian what sort of progress had been made in the lawyers' meetings. Consequently, Adrian stated, in a somewhat conspiratorial tone, that further meetings might prove useful. I asked Adrian what the current meetings in Honolulu concerned. He replied that it was his understanding that the parties were discussing scheduling a further round of negotiations, the agenda for such negotiations, and how to resolve any outstanding technical issues before any such negotiations, i.e. to study further such issues at the technical level or to treat them in a different manner. I told Adrian that I would let the lawyers here know of his interest in further meetings.

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cc: Mike Helfer