



MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY

4-3-74

*mel Halutz*  
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Return to Adm Peet. Mr. C  
prefers not to go this route. If  
Adm Peet desires, he can send  
a msg B.O.M. to the Navy  
man of the Negotiation team  
for his use. (P)





INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

29 MAR 1974

In reply refer to:  
I-21568/74

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Micronesia Status Negotiations (U) - ACTION MEMORANDUM

(C) Ambassador Williams is meeting with leaders of the Micronesia status committee during the week of 1 April. Your release of the attached message (TAB A) is requested in an attempt to counter State Department efforts (TAB B) to stampede Ambassador Williams into concessions with the Micronesians which I don't believe are warranted.

(C) The State Department/Chairman Under Secretaries Committee letter at TAB B received no interagency coordination, as best we can determine, and reflects only State views. The Marshalls District recently is developing plans to seek separate status talks; however, they have not asked the US to enter into such talks. This development, coupled with the fact that after December 1974 the United States will be the only country holding a United Nations trusteeship, apparently are prime motivators for the State view that time is not on our side. We strongly hold the view that time is on our side and believe that DOD requirements in the TTPI can be satisfied by separate negotiation of an appropriate relationship with the United States and without excessive monetary or political concessions.

(C) The letter at TAB B was obtained unofficially and it is not considered appropriate or necessary to address it directly. The provision of information copies of your message to interested addressees is expected to smoke out proper interagency addressal of this matter, and it should bolster Ambassador Williams resolve in the meantime.

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SUBJECT TO GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE  
EXCEPT BY ORDER 11652. AUTOMATICALLY DECLASSIFIED ON 31 Dec 82  
AT TWO YEAR INTERVALS. DECLASSIFIED ON 31 Dec 82

Attachments  
a/s

No coordination required.

PREPARED BY MR. DOOLIN/S-72307

RAY PEET  
Vice Admiral, USN

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