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P 182216Z APR 75  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO HICONTERPACIS PRIORITY  
BT  
UNCLAS STATE 089746  
E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: PFOR, IQ  
SUBJECT: INTERPRETATION OF MARIANAS COVENANT

REF: STATUS LNO 82 (HICONTERPACIS 180710Z APR 75)

FOR STATUS LNO

FOLLOWING IS INFORMATION IN REPLY TO REFTEL REQUEST:

UNDER TERMS OF COVENANT AMERICAN CITIZENS FROM OUTSIDE THE MARIANAS INCLUDING TEACHERS WILL NOT HAVE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT NOW OR IN THE FUTURE. ON THE OTHER HAND, CITIZENS OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS MAY CONTINUE TO ENJOY PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT CONCERNING LOCAL POSITIONS UP TO THE DATE THE NEW MARIANAS GOVERNMENT COMES INTO BEING. THE MARIANAS GOVERNMENT LIKE OTHER STATES AND TERRITORIES MAY NOT APPLY ITS LAWS SO AS TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST OTHER AMERICANS. HOWEVER, THE MARIANAS WILL STILL HAVE THE RIGHT, AS DO ALL STATES AND TERRITORIES OF THE UNITED STATES, TO ESTABLISH LOCAL CRITERIA FOR LICENSING AND HIRING PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL APPROPRIATE TO LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH AS REQUIRING TEACHERS TO HAVE PROFICIENCY IN THE LOCAL LANGUAGES.

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