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SUBJECT: TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL : MARINANAS PLEBISCITE

USUN RECEIVED MAY 14 COMPY OF TELEGRAM FROM REP OSCAR RASA TO TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR HIMSELF AND SEVEN OTHER MICRONESIAN LEADERS TO APPEAR AS PETITIONERS BEFORE 42ND SESSION OF TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL. RASA ALSO REQUESTED THAT EXT BE PASSED TO UN COMMITTEE OF 24. TEXT OF CABLE FOLLOWS.

QUOTE

DEAR MR ABEVE:

THIS IS A REQUEST FOR EIGHT DIFFERENT MICRONESIAN LEADERS TO APPEAR AS PETITIONERS BEFORE THIS YEAR'S SESSION OF THE THE UNITED NATIONS TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL.

OF THE EIGHT WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL, FIVE PEOPLE ARE REPRESENTING FIVE DIFFERENT INTEREST GROUPS ON INDIVIDUAL ISLANDS, EACH WITH THEIR OWN INTERESTS CONCERNING THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT'S FUTURE POLITICAL STATUS.

1. TINIAN - FELIPE MENDIOLA, MAYOR OF TINIAN. JOSE P. MAFNAS, WHO REPRESENTS TINIAN IN THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA.

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MAFNAS WILL SPEAK OF THE CONCERNS OF THE TINIAN PEOPLE BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

2. ROTA - ALFRED APATANG, VICE-SPEAKER OF THE ROTA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL. HE WILL SPEAK OF THE CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE OF ROTA.

3. SAIPAN - MR ENGREDINO JONES, MEMBER OF THE SAIPAN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL. JESUS MAFNAS, VICE-PRESIDENT, TERRITORIAL PARTY OF THE MARIANAS. MR MAFNAS WILL SPEAK OF THE CONCERNS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MARIANAS TERRITORIAL PARTY.

4. NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS - OSCAR RASA, WHO REPRESENTS NORTHERN SAIPAN AND THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN ISLANDS IN THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA. HE WILL SPEAK ON BEHALF OF HIS CONSTITUENTS BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

5. UNITED CAROLINIAN ASSOCIATION - FELIX RABAULIMAN, PRESIDENT AND ABEL OLOPAI, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED CAROLINIAN ASSOCIATION. THE ASSOCIATION REPRESENTS THE CAROLINIAN PEOPLE WHO ARE THE LARGEST MINORITY GROUP ON SAIPAN COMPREHENDING ONE THIRD OF ITS TOTAL POPULATION. MR OLOPAI WILL SPEAK ON THEIR BEHALF. WE THEREFORE, REQUEST THAT YOU CIRCULATE THIS POSITION AMONG MEMBERS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL, WITH THE HOPE THAT FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO ALLOW THESE FIVE INDIVIDUALS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL AT ITS 42ND SESSION, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT PLEBISCITE SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 17 1975. BECAUSE SEVERAL OF THE PETITIONERS LISTED ABOVE ARE CURRENTLY

OFF ISLAND, I HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AND AUTHORIZED TO FORWARD THIS REQUEST TO YOU ON THEIR BEHALF. A RESPONSE AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE IS RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED

VERY TRULY YOURS

(REP. OSCAR RASA)

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