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SUBJECT: COLEMAN REPORT ON POST PLEBISCITE TRANSITION
DOTA NO. 200-TT

RESPECTING YOUR REPORT AND CONTINGENCY RECOMMENDATIONS ON
MARIANAS TRANSITION WHICH WAS RECEIVED HER ON 23 MAY 1975,
AFTER PRELIMINARY SCRUTINY, ALL THOSE CONCERNED FEEL THAT
THE STUDY IS AN EXCELLENT ONE AND COMMEND YOU FOR
COMPLETING IT WITHIN THE TIME CONSTRAINTS IMPOSED UPON
YOU AND YOUR STAFF. IN LIGHT OF OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT
COPIES OF THE REPORT HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO PERSONS
OUTSIDE THE TTPI ADMINISTRATION, WE TRUST THAT YOU WILL
MAKE CLEAR TO ALL THAT YOUR REPORT IS A WORKING PAPER
DEVELOPED FOR CONSIDERATION OF THOSE WHO MUST MAKE FINAL
RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THAT
THE REPORT AS IT NOW EXISTS CARRIES NO OFFICIAL APPROVAL
AND THAT THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REPORT
ARE NOT NECESSARILY THOSE WHICH EVENTUALLY WILL BE REFLECTED
IN OFFICIAL US ACTIONS. FINAL US POLICY WITH RESPECT TO
SEPARATE ADMINISTRATION WILL BE SET FORTH IN A SECRETARIAL

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ORDER TO BE ISSUED SHORTLY AFTER THE PLEBISCITE IF THE VOTE IS AFFIRMATIVE. THE CONTENTS OF THIS STANDBY SECRETARIAL ORDER WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN US AS IT TAKES FINAL SHAPE. ACTING DOTA SENDS.
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