

March 21, 1977

The Honorable Cyrus L. Vance
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We are in receipt of a letter dated February 25, 1977, from Acting Assistant Secretary William H. Cloysteen to Mr. James H. Stovall in connection with several specific requests we made of you during our meeting with you on January 17, 1977, regarding reported CIA activities in Micronesia.

While we welcome with great relief the report that no US intelligence agency is presently conducting activities in Micronesia, and feel that we can rely completely upon Mr. Cloysteen's assurance that the new Administration has taken steps to ensure that no such activities are initiated, we would be less than candid if we did not express our disappointment that Mr. Cloysteen's letter failed to respond fully to the specific requests we made of you, namely (a) that a full investigation of the reported surveillance and other past intelligence activities be conducted and (b) that the findings of the investigations, including the identity of any informant or informants connected with the Joint Committee on Future Status, the Congress of Micronesia or the Trust Territory Government, be fully disclosed to the Micronesian leadership. We are sure that after further reflection on your part and a complete review of the discussions we had during that historic meeting with you on January 17, 1977,

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you will reach the same conclusion, as we have, that Mr. Gloydson's letter is not fully responsive to the requests we made of you. Consequently, we feel compelled by our duties and responsibilities to once again stress to you the seriousness of the crisis of confidence that has been created by the revelation that the United States may have been on both sides of the table during past negotiations with us about our future relationship.

When we met with you at your invitation on January 17, 1977, and in our letters of March 2, 1977, to you and to President Carter, we stressed that importance and urgency of finding the means of resolving the crisis, which is a necessary step before a fresh start in negotiations. We have also informed you that the present crisis has constituted an obstacle to progress in the status negotiations and has also tainted irretrievably much of our past negotiations. We are sure you will agree with us that the best way for resolving this crisis is to deal with it in a forthright manner. Until this is done, whatever document or agreement is produced from past, or will be produced from future negotiations could face a very serious problem of credibility. We are doing our best to cope with this crisis, and we very much hope that you will continue to help us by providing the information we have requested.

When we requested that all findings of the investigation be fully disclosed to the Micronesian leadership, we did not intend that a full public disclosure be made. What we hope would be a confidential report to us which could aid us in our effort to deal with the problem. We recognize the sensitive nature of such information, and can assure you that we shall respect their confidentiality.

As we begin to prepare for the meeting which you and Secretary Andrus have requested, we cannot help but feel the urgency to resolve the present problem prior to the forthcoming meeting in order to prevent the

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current problem from becoming an obstacle to a full discussion of our relationship during such meeting.

We await most anxiously and with great concern your further response to our requests.

Sincerely yours,

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Congress of Nicaragua

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cc: Chairman, Commission on Future Political
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