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Outline of Considerations
for the Delegates with respect to
a Constitutional Provision for a
Public Land Corporation

The Constitution may include some fundamental provisions with respect to a public land corporation and leave the rest of the details to the corporation itself (after it is set up) or the legislature to provide by law. This outline covers only the structure of the public land corporation. The limitations with respect to the policies to be followed by the corporation would be the same as those set out in Sections B and C of the original agenda.

1. What representation of the people should there be by members of the corporation?

- a) How many representatives from each of the chartered municipalities and the Northern Islands should be included as members of the corporation
- b) Should there be representatives from the Executive Branch and from the Legislative Branch as members of the Corporation

- c) Should there be representatives of the Carolinian population as members of the Corporation
- d) Should some of the representatives be members of the bar
- e) Should some of the representatives be independent experts (such as university professors) on land matters

2. What total number of members should the Corporation have?

3. How should the representatives be selected?

- a) Should some or all of the representatives be elected
- b) Should some or all of the representatives be appointed

4. What jurisdiction should the Corporation have over public lands?

- a) All matters involving public lands (including disposition, management, planning, homesteading program, zoning, and other use restrictions)
- b) Specified matters involving public lands -- leaving other matters to the executive branch or the legislative branch. (for example, all power over public lands except eminent domain and submerged lands off the coast)

5. How should the Corporation operate?
- a) How often each year should all the members of the Corporation meet
 - b) Should the members be given the power to elect directors and officers to conduct the business of the Corporation
 - c) Should the members be given the power to take action by majority vote with respect to policies for the management and disposition of public lands
 - d) Should the Board of Directors be given the power to take action by majority vote to carry out the policies set by the members
 - e) How often should the Corporation be required to report to the public