UNITED STATES CIFIC FLEET COMMANDER MARIANAS

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From: Deputy Commander Marianas.

To : 60

Resommendation in bring submitted that Rota be transferred from N Good Guarn to MGU Sarpan

EMORAN⁻ 24 May, 1947 From: 61 (Cah. Furber) Attached is the memorandum about Rota which you requested. Capt Randolph would like to talk with about this sho

UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET FORWARD AREA, CENTRAL PACIFIC

Date Sept 7. 1940

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For: - chief of Stoth Military Government. Le Mesteil Relations.

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<u>M-E-M-O-R-A-N-D-U-M</u> 18 september 1946.

From:

Military Government and Industrial Relations Sections.

To :

Chief of Staff.

Subject:

Wages on Rota.

Reference:

(a) ComMarianas Memo of 7 September 1946.

Enclosure:

(A) Schedule of Wages for Civilian Employees - Rota.

l. In accordance with reference (a), the Naval Government of Guam has been conferred with and it is found that the information reported in reference (a) is true.

2. The present schedule of wages on Rota was established by Island Commander, Guam General Order No. 46-45, dated 19 November 1945 and is as shown in enclosure (A). Paragraph 2 of this General Order provides:

"The wages provided for herein shall be payable in regular or Hawaiian series United States currency or coin, and such quarters, rations, medical treatment, supplies, tools of trade, etc., as are now or may hereafter be furnished to workers, shall be so furnished without charge."

The Civil Administrator, Guam, feels that this schedule of wages is adequate and should not be raised until an active money economy is established on Rota.

- 3. Attention is invited to the following facts with regard to the present situation on Rota:
 - (a) The distribution of both goods and food is on a gratuitous issue basis. The goods so distributed include clothing, seeds, tools, fish nets, paper, ink, candy, monldy cigarettes, chalk, etc.
 - (b) There are no stores or other established channels through which money can be used except by private arrangements between individuals.
 - (c) Movement to other islands is forbidden, except by special permission.
 - (d) Most of the labor employed is being used in connection with the relocation of the native villages and the building of their houses and community facilities.

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- (e) CinCPac's allotment of Naval Procurement Funds to Saipan was expressly stated to include the expenses of Tinian, Rota, and Bonins, yet Rota at present is being supported and financed by the Naval Government of Guam.
- Under these circumstances, it is believed that improvement in the situation depends on the establishment of a definite policy as to Rota's future; that Rota should be made a definite responsibility of either the Military Government Unit, Saipan, or the Naval Government of Guam. However, to increase wages before providing reasonable opportunities for making purchases with those wages would not improve the standard of living and would encourage gambling.
- 5. Military Government Section feels that Rota should be placed under the supervision of Saipan, since both are mandated islands and since their economies are more closely related than those of Rota and Guam.
- 6. It is recommended that the Unit designated to supervise Rota station an officer there with instructions to:
 - (a) Take immediate action in cooperation with the USCC (which already has plans made for this) to open a trade goods store;
 - (b) Extend its own prevailing wage scale to apply to Rota. (Both the Saipan and Guam wage scales are higher than the current Rota scale); and
 - (c) Submit detailed recommendations for wage and price revision which will provide a living wage and make it possible to stop the general gratuitous issue of food and goods.

7. Further instructions are requested.

Very respectfully,

R. LINTHICUM, Comdr., USNR,

Military Government Section.

K. G. BEGGS, Comdr., USNR.

Industrial Relations Section.

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SCHEDULE OF WAGES FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES - (ROTA)

GROUP I - PER ANNUM

| (A) | Chief District Leader | 360.00 328.00 288.00 216.00 |
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| (B) | Chief Teacher | 300.00 |
| (c) | Chief of Police | 300.00 204.00 120.00 108.00 |
| (D) | Agricultural Specialist | 240.00 |
| (E) | Doctor | 360.00 320.00 |
| (F) | Nurse | 192.00 96.00 120.00 |
| (G) | Clerks | 156.00 132.00 96.00 |
| | GROUP II - PER HOUR | |
| (A) | Unskilled Labor, Common | •04 |
| (B) | Semi-skilled Helper. Gardener. Operator, Motor Vehicle Utilityman. Coxswain. | .05 .05 .06 .05 |
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Enclosure (A) to IsCom General Order No. 46-45