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18 September 1947.

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USCC, Chief Pacific Ocean Division
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dtd 19 September 1947.

From : USCC, Acting Chief Representative, Marianas (O'Connor)
To : USCC, Special Representative, Honolulu (Black)
Subject : Termination of USCC Activities, Saipan - Request for.

1. Forwarded approved.

2. This office concurs in the belief that U. S. Commercial Company may terminate its activities in the Saipan district effective 15 October 1947.

3. With reference to paragraph four of subject the following.

(a) Prior to that date all U. S. Commercial Company Trade Goods at the U. S. C. C. base at Saipan desired by the Saipan Import and Export Association will be sold on the following terms.

1. Delivery and possession to be made prior to 15 October 1947.
2. Trade goods will be sold on same basis as heretofore, except as noted in (3) below.
3. Terms will be extended for a ninety (90) day period, provided however, that the entire outstanding balance is liquidated on or before 31 December 1947.

(b) That a physical inventory of remaining trade goods be made as of 25 October 1947, in lieu of the prescribed physical inventory due 25 September 1947. That a representative of Civil Administration be present at the time of the above mentioned inventory, and determine what trade goods, from stocks, if any, are desired by the Naval Civil Administration for their use in the furtherance of their economic rehabilitation program for the Trust Territories.

(c) Copies of the physical inventory, certified by the Senior Representative, U. S. Commercial Company, Saipan, will be forwarded to the following:

- (1) USCC-SanMarianas, Guam (2 copies)
- (2) USCC-Honolulu, T.H. (2 copies),

for the purpose of screening by the above, for possible transfer to remaining U. S. Commercial Company bases. The remainder to be declared surplus to the needs of the area, and with the approval of the President of the U. S. Commercial



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Company be declared surplus to the Office of Foreign Liquidation Commission.

(d) That a physical inventory be taken of the property, plant and equipment located on the islands of Saipan and Tinian for the purpose of liquidation in the following steps:

1. Authorization is requested to transfer subject properties and equipment to the Trade Goods Program.
2. Given the above authority subject properties to be offered for sale to the native inhabitants of Guam and the Trust Territories.
3. Completion of paragraphs one and two above, the remainder will be offered for sale to the Japanese markets, see CNA-FOA-467, through the U. S. Commercial Company's representative in Tokyo, Japan.

(e) That the accountant at the base immediately proceed with the collection of outstanding accounts receivable and the transfer of remaining funds in accordance with existing instructions.

(f) That the cognizant authority make available any excess U. S. Commercial Company personnel, by reason of cessation of activities at Saipan, to other U. S. Commercial Company bases.

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Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands - Office of DepHiCommissioner

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From : Deputy High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
To : Chief, Pacific Ocean Division, USCC, Washington, D. C.
Via : (1) Acting Chief Representative, USCC, Guam, M. I.
(2) Special Representative, POA, USCC, Honolulu, T.H.
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1. It has been the policy of the Navy and USCC to promote the economic advancement and self-sufficiency of the inhabitants of the Pacific Islands. To encourage the reconstruction of normal trade channels, we have provided the opportunity for local traders and trade organizations to establish outside public and private sources of civilian supplies.

2. This policy envisioned the ultimate withdrawal of the Navy and USCC from ordinary business. The United States Commercial Company has been aware of this eventuality and fully in accord therewith.

3. Outside of Guam, notable progress has been made by the peoples of Saipan. It is the shared opinion of the Deputy High Commissioner and the USCC personnel concerned that Saipan is now prepared to assume its trade needs unassisted.

4. It is therefore recommended that necessary steps be taken to terminate United States Commercial Company activities in the Saipan District, effective 15 October 1947.

5. The Deputy High Commissioner is not unmindful of USCC responsibility in making the shift possible at this early date, and wishes to express appreciation and congratulations to its personnel for their helpful and successful work.

signed/ C H. Wright