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From: High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
To: Chief Administrator of Field Headquarters, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
Subject: Proposed establishment of Territorial Parks and Monuments  
1. The following areas recommended for preservation are listed:  
a. Chief Administrator, Saipan District, Northern Marianas Islands  
b. Chief Administrator, Truk District, Eastern Caroline Islands  
c. Chief Administrator, Palau District, Western Caroline Islands  
d. Chief Administrator, Marshall Islands  
e. Chief Administrator, Ponape District, Eastern Caroline Islands  
f. Chief Administrator, Pohnpei District, Eastern Caroline Islands

2. Subject: Proposed establishment of Territorial Parks and Monuments. Request for

1. The High Commissioner proposes to establish certain areas in TERPACIS as Territorial Parks or Monuments to protect and preserve those areas, objects, and species of living flora and fauna of unusual scientific, historic or cultural significance.

2. It is suggested that the archaeological remains of great antiquity and historical interest known to exist in TERPACIS, be preserved. The sites of these remains will be appropriately marked, cleared, and protected against vandalism and deterioration. Other areas of historical importance that may be worthy of preservation are the battlefields of the recent war and the ruins of the ruins of other structures dating back to the Spanish administration. Certain areas may be worthy of designation as Territorial Parks because of their primitive condition, because they harbor indigenous plants or animals or because of their unique scenic features. Special attention should be given to the protection of objects or sites considered by the indigenous population of cultural or historical importance.

3. CA's are requested to designate sites or areas to be set aside for the purposes of preservation and delineate the boundaries as accurately as possible, and recommend the resources for the establishment, maintenance, support and continuation of such sites as Territorial Monuments, Parks or Reserves. A careful appraisal of the costs and labor involved in clearing and marking designated sites and yearly maintenance costs should be included. As successful maintenance of reserved areas depends largely upon the cooperation of the indigenous people, every effort should be made to gain their support. It may be found appropriate in some cases to designate the municipality as the governmental body to administer reserved areas within their boundaries. A careful appraisal of indigenous attitudes toward sites proposed is desired in all cases.

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From: High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
To: Chief Administrator of Field Headquarters, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
Civil Administrator, Saipan District, Northern Marianas Islands  
Civil Administrator, Truk District, Eastern Caroline Islands  
Civil Administrator, Palau District, Western Caroline Islands  
Civil Administrator, Marshall Islands  
Civil Administrator, Ponape District, Eastern Caroline Islands

Subject: Comments on proposed establishment of Territorial Parks and Monuments; request for

1. WICOMTERPACIS proposes to establish certain areas in TERPACIS as Territorial Parks or Monuments to protect and preserve those areas, objects, and species of living flora and fauna of unusual scientific, historic or esthetic significance.

2. It is desired that the archaeological remains of great antiquity and scientific interest, known to exist in TERPACIS, be preserved. The sites of these remains will be appropriately marked, cleared, and protected against violation and disintegration. Other areas of historical importance that may be worthy of preservation are the battlefields of the recent war and the ruins of religious or other structures dating back to the Spanish administration. Certain areas may be worthy of designation as Territorial Parks because of their primitive condition, because they harbor indigenous fauna or flora or because of their unique scenic features. Special attention should be given to the protection of objects or sites considered by the natives to be of cultural or historical importance.

3. CIVADS are requested to designate sites or areas to be set aside for the purposes stated above, to delineate the boundaries as accurately as possible, and to recommend procedures for the establishment, maintenance, support and regulation of such sites as Territorial Monuments, Parks or Reserves. A careful estimate of the costs and labor involved in clearing and marking designated sites and yearly maintenance costs should be included. As successful maintenance of reserved areas depends largely upon the cooperation of the indigenous people, every effort should be made to gain their support. It may be found appropriate in some cases to designate the municipality as the governmental body to administer reserved areas within their boundaries. A careful appraisal of indigenous attitudes toward sites proposed is desired in all cases.

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1. The following sites and objects recommended for preservation are listed below:

- Archaeological sites: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
- Historical buildings: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
- House of Laga: Saipan
- Large Stone Quarry: Saipan
- Mt. Laga: Saipan
- Lava sites: Saipan
- Mausoleum: Saipan
- Remains: Saipan
- Sarcophagus: Saipan

2. The following sites and objects are recommended for preservation:

- Historical buildings: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
- Important battle sites: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
- Important battle sites: Blue Beach, Saipan

3. The following sites and objects are recommended for preservation:

- Summit of Mt. Laga: Saipan
- Historical buildings: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
- Important battle sites: Saipan, Tinian, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands
- Important battle sites: Blue Beach, Saipan

4. The following sites and objects are recommended for preservation:

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