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SUBJECT: Land acquisition in Trust Territory

1. Meeting held this date at the Department of Interior with the following present:

- State: R. R. Robbins - Office of Dependent Area Affairs
J. R. Fowler - Office of Dependent Area Affairs
- Navy: LCDR C. T. Ferrick - ONO, Op-215B
H. R. Dudley - BuDocks, Real Estate Consultant
E. G. Friedlander - BuDocks, Real Estate Operations
- Interior: Frank Midkiff - High Commissioner, Trust Territory
J. McConnell - Deputy High Commissioner, Trust Territory
E. J. Sady - Director, Pacific Division
W. L. Yeomans - Assistant Director, Pacific Division
~~(D. S. Koontz)~~ - Office of Assistant Secretary for Land
R. K. Coats - Management

2. Purpose of the meeting was to discuss arrangements by which an interest in the land retained for military purposes in the Trust Territory could be obtained by the United States Government.

3. The following general features were discussed and agreed to in principle:

a. The U. S. Government will be granted an interest in certain pieces of land in the Trust Territory that are required for military purposes. This interest will be conveyed by an agreement equivalent to a long term lease negotiated for each individual location -- for which a single lump sum payment will be made.

b. Negotiations will be carried on in each case with the administrative agent having jurisdiction of the area vice individual land-owners.

c. Periodic redeterminations of U. S. Government land requirements in the Trust Territory will be made at intervals of not less than five years at the departmental level subject to appeal to the President.

d. Land no longer required for military purposes in the Trust Territory will be returned to the Government of the Trust Territory.

e. The Interior Department will prepare a memorandum of procedures for submission to the Navy Department, for approval, covering the acquisition of an interest in land for military purposes.

f. Land acquired for military purposes in the Trust Territory will be made available for use by the Government of the Trust Territory wherever practicable.

End.