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Enclosure (1) is a copy of the constitution of the Popular Party of the Saipan District.

The Party was formed without prior knowledge or approval of the District Administrator. It appears to be patterned after the same named Party on Guam, which is a leading pro-Marianas-Guam integrationist group and is membered by the Proletarian Socialist Saipanese Group.

Announcement of establishment of the Party, and distribution of the Constitution of the Party, followed by two days the arrival on board of Jose Cruz, Member and Legislative Secretary of the Twelfth Saipan Legislature, now permanent U.S. Resident, Guam and ardent integrationist.

It is significant to note that signatories to the Constitution are all current Saipan Municipality employees, one of whom is a U. S. deportee. The consultant is a U. S. Citizen.

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# CONSTITUTION OF THE POPULAR PARTY OF SAIPAN DISTRICT

We, the undersigned, mutually agree to unite and associate ourselves as a political organization or association, and for such purpose, we hereby make, execute and adopt the following constitution, to wit:

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization or association shall be THE POPULAR PARTY OF SAIPAN DISTRICT.

## ARTICLE II - PURPOSES AND OBJECTS

The objects and purposes of this organization or association shall be:

1. To promulgate Jeffersonian principles, some of which are:
  - a. Popular control of government;
  - b. Wide extension of suffrage and the fullest measure of personal liberty;
  - c. Religious liberty; and
  - d. Free speech and free press.
2. To aid, advance, encourage, and promote the candidacy of all persons seeking election to public office under the Popular Party of Saipan District banner.
3. To promote, encourage, and foster a feeling of good fellowship, friendship, and good will among the members of this organization.
4. To encourage the active participation of all the people of Saipan District, in the social, economic and political welfare of the territory.
5. To uphold the principles of good government.
6. To assist in any other matters pertaining to the welfare and advancement of the members and for the attainment of the highest order of citizenship.
7. To purchase, lease, hold, or sell real and personal property necessary or proper for the carrying out of the purposes of this organization.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

1. All Trust Territory citizens, residents of Saipan District, qualified to vote under the Election laws of Saipan District. 18 years of age or over, of good moral character, shall be eligible to membership in this organization.
2. Application for membership shall be endorsed by at least two (2) members of this organization in good standing. Application shall be submitted to the Secretary, who shall endorse the same to the Central Committee for approval.
3. Resignation of any member shall become effective upon written notice to the Chairman or Secretary of this organization.

ARTICLE IV - CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND OFFICERS

1. The business and affairs of this association shall be managed and controlled by a Central Committee which shall comprise of the following:
  - a. All Popular Party legislators;
  - b. All Popular Party Commissioners of each district;
  - c. The officers of this organization; and
  - d. All Popular Party precinct chairmen
2. The officers of this organization shall be a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, who shall be elected annually by the members of this organization.

ARTICLE V - COMMITTEES

1. The Central Committee of this organization shall form a Membership Committee, a Program and Social Committee, a Campaign and Planning Committee, a Finance Committee, and such other committees as may be necessary.

ARTICLE VI - ELECTION

1. Once a year, during the month of Nov. 28, the members of this organization shall elect the officers for a term of one year, until their successors qualify.

2. The Chairman shall appoint a nominating committee for the purpose of submitting the names of candidates for the various offices of this organization.

#### ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The Chairman shall be the Chief Executive Officer of this organization. He shall preside at all meetings of both the general membership and the Central Committee. He shall issue calls for regular or special meetings. He shall determine the date and place of election. In his absence, the Vice-Chairman shall assume such duties and responsibilities.
2. The Secretary shall keep all records of the meetings of this organization, including meetings of the Central Committee.
3. The Treasurer shall have the custody of the funds of this organization, and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements of this association and shall disburse the funds of this association as may be ordered by the Central Committee.

#### ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS

1. This organization shall meet at least once a month, and special meetings may be called by the Chairman whenever necessary.
2. The Central Committee shall meet at least twice a month, and special meetings of the Central Committee may be called by the Chairman whenever necessary.

#### ARTICLE IX - PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

1. The proceedings of this organization's meeting as well as the meeting of the Central Committee shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

#### ARTICLE X - AMENDMENT

1. This constitution may be amended at any regular business meeting of the Central Committee, at which there is a quorum present by two-thirds votes of the members present.
2. No amendment shall be considered, unless written notice shall have

been mailed to each member of the Central Committee, at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting date at which the amendment is to be presented.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly elected officers of this organization, certify that the foregoing amended constitution of the Popular Party of Saipan District, was duly adopted and approved at its regular meeting, and that they are authorized to so certify by the general membership of this organization.

Dated the 28 day of December 19 60.

/s/ Antonio S. Palacios Chariman

/s/ Jose A. Shimizu Vice-Chairman

/s/ Herman Q. Guerrero Secretary

/s/ Manases T. Dela Cruz Treasurer

/s/ Vicente R. Gogue Consultant