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Trust Territory Administration Matters

- 1. Secretary Udall, Department of Interior, has requested that I meet with him in his office at 1430 Tuesday, 20 June in order to discuss Interior's recent suggestion to SECNAY that the Trust Territory be under single administration, that is, Interior's administration, and that the Navy assume responsibility for providing communications and transportation services within the Trust Territory.
- 2. It was indicated that a decision on the matter of a single department having administrative responsibility throughout the Trust Territory was a matter of importance to the State Department. State considers it would be advantageous to make a statement during the current Trust Territory discussions (United Nations) that the United States is taking steps to comply with recommendations along this line made previously by United Nations Visiting Commissions to the Trust Territory.
- 3. Unless otherwise directed, I will support the views expressed recently in the Top Secret memorandum regarding the Trust Territory, forwarded to SECNAV over your signature.

Very respectfully,

G. R. DONAHO

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