

# President Puts All TT Under Interior

WASHINGTON, May 8 (AP)-President Kennedy yesterday put all the former Japanese islands in the Pacific which are under U.S. trusteeship under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior.

The U.S. Navy had been responsible for the civil administration of the northern Mariana Islands, except the island of Rota, and the Interior Department has been responsible for the civil administration of the remainder of the Trust Territory, the Marshalls and the Carolines.

## ISSUES ORDER

Kennedy said in an executive order that the trusteeship agreements with the United Nations can best be effectuated by placing in the secretary of the interior

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In a joint announcement last January 12, High Commissioner M. Wilfred Goding of the Trust Territory of the Pacific and Rear Adm. John S. Coye Jr., ComNavMarianas, said the Saipan district will be transferred to Interior Department administration on July 1.

The announcement also said Saipan has been designated the first provisional capital of the Trust Territory "in keeping with the desires of this administration to advance the political development of Micronesia."

the responsibility for civil administration of all the trust territories.

Kennedy's orders directed the secretary of interior to keep the secretary of state informed on activities in the Trust Territory affecting U.S. foreign policy and to consult with the secretary of state on questions of policy which relate to foreign administration of a controversial shipment Court in approving the admission of the Philippine Supreme He said that because of the

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