

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

July 17, 1947

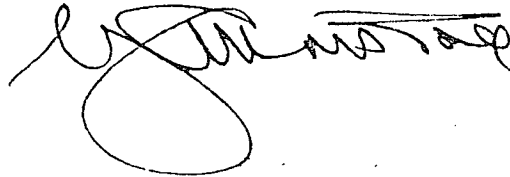
Dear Mr. President:

I am transmitting herewith for your consideration a draft Executive Order for promulgation on the day that the trusteeship agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands enters into force. This draft Executive Order provides for the termination of military government and for the administration of this Territory on an interim basis by the Navy Department.

There is also attached a draft press statement which you may wish to make on the day that you sign the Joint Resolution authorizing approval of the Trusteeship Agreement, thereby bringing the agreement into force. This statement also makes reference to the Executive Order.

The concurrences of the Departments of War, the Navy, and the Interior with the attached documents have been obtained.

Faithfully yours,



Attachments:

1. Draft Executive Order.
2. Draft Press Statement.

The President,

The White House.

