THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY Washington

31 Aug 1949

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I am pleased to advise that the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Navy Department and the Department of the Interior Regarding the Transfer of Administrative Responsibility for American Samoa and the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Navy Department and the Department of the Interior Regarding the Transfer of Administrative Responsibility for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands that were forwarded with Under Secretary Chapman's letter of August 29, 1949 meet with my approval.

It will be agreeable that, in view of the President's letter of May 14, 1949, which directed your Department to submit plans to him by September 1, 1949, you submit these memoranda to the President as the recommended plans for the transfer of American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Sincerely yours,

(sgd) John T. Koehler

JOHN T. KOEHLER Acting Secretary of the Navy

The Honorable Julius A. Krug Secretary of the Interior Washington, D. C.

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