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TO (1) Mr. William F. McCandless
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DATE Sept. 9, 1949

FROM Elmer B. Staats

REMARKS

I presume that we will need a letter along the lines of the one we prepared for the President, on the transfer arrangements for Guam. Apparently Navy has given its approval in spite of the earlier representations made by Assistant Secretary Koehler and former Ambassador Sayre to the effect that they felt we should reconsider the transfer of the trust territories.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 9, 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. STAATS,
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET

Subject: August 31, 1949 Memoranda/Understanding of between Interior and Navy on Transfer of Responsibility for (1) American Samoa and (2) Pacific Trust Territory, from Navy to Interior, submitted for Presidential Approval.

In line with our telephone conversation this morning I send you herewith the file on this matter.

I should appreciate it if I could receive, as soon as reasonably possible, the Budget recommendations and comments on these two memoranda of understanding.

If approved I assume that the President should send Interior and Navy a letter similar to the one he sent them on August 10, 1949, about their memoranda of understanding with respect to the transfer of administrative responsibility for Guam.

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