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MEMORANDUM FOR GOVERNOR ADAMS:

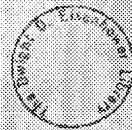
I looked into the status of Frank Midkiff, High Commissioner of the Trust Territories, and into his desire to be given the rank of minister.

As I understand it, Donald Lourie at the State Department, discussed this with the Under Secretary of the Interior. The Under Secretary was to check with Secretary McKay and, if McKay felt that Midkiff should be given the rank of minister, he was to get in touch with the Secretary of State.

To date, the State Department has received no word from Secretary McKay. They are assuming that the matter is closed.

Your advice, please.

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