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PEACE CORPS TO UNDERGO  
MONTH'S TRAINING AT PALAU

SAIPAN, M. I. (SEPT 22)...Beginning the latter part of September, the Palau District of the Trust Territory will host over 100 members of a Peace Corps team scheduled to undergo a month's training program in community development at Peleliu and Angaur Islands, High Commissioner M. W. Goding announced today.

Athos Revelle, Assistant Director for Peace Corps Training, is expected to arrive in Guam September 23 from Washington D.C. as an advance representative to arrange and coordinate moving the Peace Corps team to Palau. The full contingent, which includes 96 volunteers plus instructors, is scheduled to arrive at Guam early Friday morning (September 24). It is anticipated that some of the volunteers will depart for Palau on or about September 26 via M/V PALAU ISLANDER. The remaining group is expected to fly down to Koror by a Navy plane, according to Trust Territory officials.

Peace Corps officials in Washington have requested full assistance and cooperation from the military organizations in Guam. The Navy will house the group during its Guam stopover, and the Guam Marine Corps has agreed to provide some working tools for the team's use during the training at Palau.

It is contemplated that during the one-month training, the Peace Corps volunteers will assist in such projects as helping in school and

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other construction projects, forestry planting projects, and community development projects. Palau was chosen as the site for Peace Corps training because of several community rehabilitation projects now progressing in Peleliu and Angaur as the result of the recent typhoon which devastated these two islands in the Palau District.