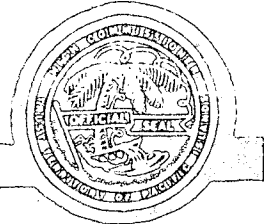


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Closing Statement to the United Nations Trusteeship Council by
Senator Anata Kabua, Congress of Micronesia, June 15, 1967.

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Madam President, Distinguished Members of the United Nations Trusteeship Council:

Truk

First, we wish to convey to you the gratitude of the people of Micronesia for the honor given them to have the last United Nations Visiting Mission in Micronesia. We want to extend also our thanks from the Congress of Micronesia to the distinguished members of this august body for their keen interests and diligent assistance in the promotion of the welfare of the people of Micronesia.

Ponape

We would like, also, to say that we are deeply grateful to the Administering Authority for its dedicated efforts in the advancement and care of the people of Micronesia, and to express our sincere appreciation to the people of the United States of America for the support they have generously given to us during the past twenty years.

Marshalls

We have great confidence that the Administering Authority and the High Commissioner will sympathize with our urgent need for economic development and for improved transportation in the Trust Territory, and will expedite ways and means to meet it. We are sure that they are aware of the need of increasing the participation of Micronesians in responsible government posts and of other essential developments which will help the people moving toward attainment of self sufficiency

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and self-reliance. We believe that we should not always be a heavy burden on the Administering Authority and must also do our part to help in the advancement of our islands.

The Congress of Micronesia in its endeavor to work toward attainment of a future political status for Micronesia will certainly appreciate receiving pertinent aids and information from the Administering Authority and the United Nations which will help prepare the people for their important decisions in the future.

Lastly, on behalf of my colleague, I wish to extend our deepest gratitude for the honor and privilege given to us to participate in the session of the Council, and to have the pleasure of getting acquainted with its distinguished members.

Thank you, Madam President.

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