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Mr. Richard M. Moose
National Security Counsel
Washington, D. C. 20506

Dear Mr. Moose:

I received your letter of March 21, and was very pleased to learn that your office is actively reviewing the present status of the United States' relationship with its Trust Territory Islands of the Pacific.

For the last five years I have been diligently attempting to call the attention of the White House to the rapidly deteriorating relationship between US and Micronesia. I have recently received assistance in attempting to raise the national priority of this problem from people such as, Peter O'Donnell, Republican Chairman of Texas; Roy Goodearl, appointments secretary for Vice President Agnew, (a very old, personal friend of mine); Congressman George Bush, Republican Congressman from Texas, (ex-navy fighter pilot in the Pacific Campaigns) and several old friends of yours, George Christian and Loyd Hackler. It is essential that President Nixon take immediate steps to prevent a situation from developing in the Trust Territory similiar to the present awkward position in which Great Britain finds itself in dealing with the Caribbean Island of Anguilla. It is difficult to over look the similarity of the problems. Probably the main difference is that the problem of the Trust Territory covers three million square miles of the Pacific, and that this area maintains a position on the Trusteeship Counsel of the United Nations.

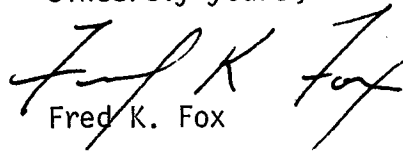
I have enclosed with this letter a recent House bill #8798 introduced by Congresswoman Patsy Mink. I believe that this organic act introduced by Mrs. Mink has many excellent features, however, it is very doubtful that any such bill originated by the Congress of the United States without direct consultation with the Congress of Micronesia would be properly received by the people of Micronesia.

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I am also enclosing a recent newsletter from the American Society of Oceanography. The purpose of including this is to bring to your attention the importance of this area in relationship to the United States' oceanographic future. The article also mentions an old friend of mine from Palau, Peter Wilson, who is one of the few young aggressive and un-conventional American employees of the Trust Territory government.

I sincerely hope that you will not allow the Trust Territory priority to shrink and get lost in the maze of problems facing the new administration. The priority of Micronesia today is of the same order of magnitude as it was in 1944.

Sincerely yours,


Fred K. Fox

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Lindsey - I realize
you are up to your
ears in Fred Fox

I wrote to Fox and
Henry McPherson last
week. I believe
it would be a good
idea to do a note
from Henry to Fox
and I will send a
copy of it to Lindsey

K. Moore

Dick Moose:

FRED FOX.

I have prepared the necessary correspondence but, before we put it in final, I'd appreciate your filling me in as to why you believe that another letter (this one from Dr. K) is needed, when you have acknowledged, and I have thanked Fox over the phone. ^{LaRue} ~~XXXXX~~ did not ~~XXXXXXXX~~ ask that K himself acknowledge.

Couldn't you just send a copy of your note to Fox as evidence to

LaRue?

Lindsey 3-28

You are right
lets do like Fred
me to

~~Dick Moose~~

No. 10 — you missed my
point. You say you've already
written Fox — send LaRue a
copy of that letter.

Lindsey
Sunday 3/30

Handwritten initials or signature in the top right corner.

MEMO RS TO K

Mr. Fred Fox, a private citizen interested in Micronesian affairs, has sent copies of a Memorandum on Micronesia to you and Mr. LaRue ~~XXXX~~ through Mr. Peter O'Donnell, Republican State Chairman of Texas. He has sent another copy directly to me, and has discussed Micronesia with me. Generally, his points seem well taken.

We have acknowledged Mr. Fox's contribution, ~~XXXXXX~~ but a note

~~RECOMMENDATION~~
 from you would seem appropriate.

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

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DRAFT LETTER K TO FOX (cc for RMoose to pass to Larue)

RS
RMoose

Dear Mr. Fox:

~~Mr.~~ Peter O'Donnell has relayed ~~XXXX~~ copies of your most interesting Memorandum on Micronesia to ~~me~~ ^{Dr. Kissinger} and Mr. LaRue. I know

that you have ^{previously} been in touch with ^{our} staff on this most important

subject, and I appreciate your ^{Dr. Kissinger's} letting us ^{have} your thoughts. ^{with this} ~~It is~~ you

have assured that we are working hard on this problem.

Best regards,

~~FILE~~

cc. Mr. LaRue