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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Brigadier General Robert Pursley Military Assistant

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Room 3E880

FROM:

Mrs. Jeanne W. Davis

Will you please send this out to DoD facilities.

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June 24, 1971

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Recommendation:

That you approve the Presidential message at Tab A.

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June 24, 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR:

GENERAL HAIG

FROM:

JOHN H. HOLDRIDGE THE JAK

SUBJECT:

Notification to Micronesian Leaders of the President's Appointment of Dr. Haydn Williams

At Tab A is a draft telegraphic message from the President to the President of the Micronesian Senate and the Speaker of the Micronesian House, with courtesy copies to the Co-Chairmen of the Political Status Committee of the Micronesian Congress and an information copy to our High Commissioner in the Islands, notifying them that the President had appointed Dr. Haydn Williams as his Personal Representative to conduct negotiations on the future political status of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. Dr. Williams is departing Washington today on a fact-finding trip through the Islands (he will actually arrive there June 30), and it is essential that these messages reach the Micronesian leaders before Dr. Williams arrives on the scene.

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Notification to Micronesian Leaders of President's

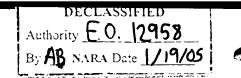
Appointment of Dr. Haydn Williams

Following is text of message from President to Micronesian leaders notifying them that he has appointed Dr. Haydn Williams as his personal representative with personal rank of Ambassador for negotiations on future political status of TTPI. You are instructed to deliver the message to Senate President Kabua and House Speaker Henry, and to send a courtesy copy to Congressman Silk (a courtesy copy to Senator Salii is being delivered to him in San Francisco). You may in your discretion release to press after obtaining concurrence of Senate President and House Speaker.

BEGIN TEXT:

It is my pleasure to inform you that I have chosen Dr. Franklin Haydn
Williams as my Personal Representative to negotiate the future political
status of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands with the Joint Committee
on the Future Political Status of the Congress of Micronesia. Mr. Williams
will hold the personal rank of Ambassador.

In view of his distinguished service in the academic world, Government, and most recently as President of the Asia Foundation, I believe that Dr. Williams is eminently qualified to undertake this responsibility, which is LIMITED OFFICIAL USE



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of high importance to both the United States and Micronesia. I look forward to our early and mutually satisfactory resolution of the status question, and am confident of our two sides' ability to achieve this, given the spirit of amity and understanding in which we have approached our relationship in the past.

I extend to you my sincere best wishes, and assure you of my close and sympathetic interest in the coming negotiations.

Sincerely, Richard Nixon

END TEXT

Letters Addressed to the Following:

Honorable Amata Kabua

President of the Senate

Congress of Micronesia

Majuro

Marshall Islands 96960

Honorable Bethwel Henry

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Congress of Micronesia

Ponape

Eastern Caroline Islands 96941

Courtesy Copies Sent To:

Honorable Lazarus Salii

Co-Chairman, Future Political Status

Committee

Congress of Micronesia

c/o Institute of International Studies

University of California

Berkeley, California

Honorable Ekpap Silk

Co-Chairman

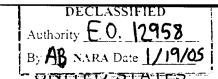
Future Political Status Committee

Congress of Micronesia

Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

JUN 23 1971

Memorandum

To:

John Holdridge

From:

Haydn Williams H\V

Subject:

Announcement my Appointment and Letters of same to

Micronesian Leadership

John Dorrance, POLAD to the High Commission TTPI reports discussion my appointment among members Micronesian Congress and resentment that Congress and Status Committee never officially advised. He recommends that this situation be rectified by responding to their request for a letter as soon as possible.

I am now scheduled to leave for Micronesia on June 30 and have accepted an invitation from the Micronesian Future Political Status Committee to meet them on July 4 at Majuro. I believe that it is imperative that they be informed officially and in writing prior to my arrival Majuro.

I would recommend based on consultations with Secretary Loesch that letters be addressed to the following:

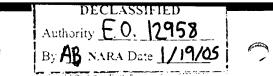
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Speaker of the House of
Representatives
Congress of Micronesia
Ponape
Eastern Caroline Islands 96941

Courtesy copies should be sent to:

Hon. Lazarus Salii
Co-Chairman
Future Political Status
Committee
Congress of Micronesia
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

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Hon. Ekpap Silk
Co-Chairman
Future Political Status
Committee
Congress of Micronesia
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950



The attached draft letter was prepared by the Department of the Interior. I believe that the letter should not fall into the trap that John Dorrance refers to with respect to "presenting my credentials". I however believe that something more could be said about my responsibilities and the interest and importance this Government attaches to the matter. It is my understanding that Secretary Rogers would sign the letter.

Because of the time factor I request that this request be given your earliest consideration.

Attached is a copy of the Dorrance cable.

Enclosures



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United States Department or the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

Memorandum

To:

John Holdridge, National Security Council

From:

Assistant Secretary, Public Land Management

Subject:

Announcement of Appointment of Franklin Haydn Williams

Dr. Williams and I have discussed the attached radiogram (2412072 May 71) from POLAD John Dorrance in Saipan, and fully agree that after appropriate actions have been taken by the President regarding our options paper and Dr. Williams' terms of reference, letters should be written to the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate of the Congress of Micronesia officially notifying them of Dr. Williams' appointment. Courtesy information copies should be sent to the Co-Chairmen of the Future Political Status Committee. These letters would be addressed to the following individuals:

Hon. Bethwel Henry
Speaker of the House of
Representatives
Congress of Micronesia
Ponape
Eastern Caroline Islands 96941

Hon. Amata Kabua President of the Senate Congress of Micronesia Majuro Marshall Islands 96960

Hon. Lazarus Salii Co-Chairman Future Political Status Committee Congress of Micronesia Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950 Hon. Ekpap Silk
Co-Chairman
Future Political Status
Committee
Congress of Micronesia
Saipan, Mariana Islands 96950

Attached also is our suggestion for the letter to be sent.

Dear :

I take pleasure in informing you that the President has chosen Dr. Franklin Haydn Williams as his Personal Representative for the negotiation of future political status of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

The President hopes that negotiations may proceed now toward a solution satisfactory to all parties.

Dr. Williams will shortly undertake his first visit to Micronesia and will be calling on you.

I send my sincere best wishes for successful and profitable future discussions with the hope of early resolution of the political status question.

Sincerely,

cc: Sen. Lazarus Salii Rep. Ekpap Silk DECLASSIFIED