#### THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE WASHINGTON

## NSC UNDER SECRETARIES COMMITTEE

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January 9, 1973

### MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Micronesian Status Negotiations Subject:

On November first, Dr. Kissinger requested that Ambassador Franklin Haydn Williams submit to you through the Under Secretaries Committee a reassessment of the U.S. negotiating position on the Micronesian status question.

Recent developments in Micronesia have made it clear that the Congress of Micronesia's Joint Future Status Committee is in considerable disarray, and will not be able to meet with the American negotiators until late March or early April. Since the time factor is no longer as pressing as appeared likely in November, I have requested that Ambassador Williams and the Interagency group which he heads prepare two new studies, together with recommended new negotiating instructions for Ambassador Williams based on these studies, to be submitted to the Under Secretaries Committee in February for transmittal to you for decision.

I attach a copy of the terms of reference of the new studies.

Chairman

Attachment:

Terms of Reference

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December 26, 1972

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MEMORANDUM TO:

Ambassador Franklin Haydn Williams

SUBJECT:

Micronesian Status Negotiations

Pursuant to your memoranda of November 22 and December 7, 1972, I request that you instruct the Interagency Group to prepare and submit to the Under Secretaries Committee by February 15, 1973 the following:

- (1) Options and recommendations for the negotiation of a permanent association with the Marianas, together with a negotiating strategy and recommendations for necessary legislation and necessary executive action.
- (2) A study which considers the question of continued negotiations with the Joint Future Status Committee of the Congress of Micronesia and the advisability of agreeing to negotiate an independence option. In addition to developing the pros and cons of the several courses of action open to us under these headings, the study should recommend a U.S. negotiating procedure and strategy.

Based on these studies, I request that you develop new negotiating instructions to be forwarded, together with the studies, for Presidential approval.

John N. Irwin II

Chairman

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