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Memorandum

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To: Mr. Dennis Doolin, ISA
BGeneral Arthur P. Hanket, JCS
Mr. Jack Froebe, Jr., NSC Staff
Mr. Stanley S. Carpenter, Interior
Mr. Arthur W. Hummel, Jr., State
Mr. Robert G. Dixon, Justice

From: Chairman, Interagency Group

Subject: Establishment of a Legal Working Group for Marianas
Status Negotiations

You will recall that at the conclusion of the recent negotiating session in Saipan with the Marianas Political Status Commission it was agreed that before the next negotiating session further study was required on matters of a legal nature by a working group of experts from both delegations. The working group would look specifically into the applicability to the Marianas of federal laws and certain provisions of the U.S. Constitution and would also consider the citizenship question and alternatives.

It was further agreed that the two delegations would meet again in the late summer or early fall. The establishment and functioning of the legal working group thus assumes high priority.

On the U.S. side, Mr. Brewster Chapman, Associate Solicitor, Department of the Interior, has been asked to serve as Chairman. Mr. Howard Willens, counsel for the Marianas Political Status Commission will act in a similar capacity for that side.

I hope that the following can serve as members of the U.S. working group to meet on call of the Chairman with others to be added as necessary:

Mr. Herman Marcuse, Department of Justice
Mr. Oliver Thomas Johnson, Department of State (L/EA)
Mr. Adrian de Graffenried, Office for Micronesian Status
Negotiations

Joint talks with its Marianas counterpart are scheduled to begin in early August in Washington, D. C..

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27 JULY	WASHINGTON(DULLES)	LV: 12:00 noon	UA 59
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28 JULY	HONOLULU	LV: 2:55 p.m.	TW 745
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30 JULY	GUAM	LV: 8:00 a.m.	CO 631
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4 AUG	KOROR	LV: 10:35 a.m.	CO 636
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6 AUG	SAIPAN	AR: 2:49 p.m.	
9 AUG	SAIPAN	LV: 11:45 am.	CO 682
	GUAM	AR: 12:29 p.m.	
9 AUG	GUAM	LV: 7:15 p.m.	TW 744
	HONOLULU	AR: 6:25 a.m.	
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9 AUG	SAN FRANCISCO	AR: 5:35 p.m.	
10 AUG	SAN FRANCISCO	LV: 8:45 a.m.	UA 50
10 AUG	WASHINGTON(DULLES)	AR: 4:45 p.m.	

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