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HONOLULU MEETING - October 26, 1974 First Session 2:00 P.M. CINCPAC GUEST HOUSE, MAKALAPA

Participants:

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Introduction

- Politics.
- Expatriates

HW: Suggested Agenda

- Part I. Review of Significant actions since July.
 - Draft Compact progress.
 - Special COM session.
 - MDL session.
 - Tinian developments.
- Part II. Progress by the Joint Committee.
 - Drafting Committee issues.
 - Land Committee issues.
- Part III. Tasks Ahead.
 - Marianas V planning.
 - Transition planning.
 - Political education and plebescite.
- Part IV. Projected Timetable.
 - Timing Marianas V.
 - Marianas District Legislature action on Agreement.
 - Political education, progress and timing.

- Plebescite timing.
- Separate administration timing.
- Constitutional Convention.
- New Government installation.
- Emerging pattern of anti-Marianas groups.
- Need for early action to complete agreement.

EP: - Recognize problem

HW: - Part V. - Summary of discussions and press treatment.

Agenda Item I.

HW: - What happened on JCFS report to COM?

- Changes in July 12 agreed draft.

EP: - New changes were introduced after those suggested by JCFS - Salii speaking for himself.

HW: - Salii said he was instructed by JCFS.

EP: - E. Pangelinan and H. Guerrero signed cover letter without Annex B. changes attached to it.

HW: - Why didn't E. P. and H.G. protest?

EP: - Too late in session to change anything - went right to MDL for separate administration resolution.

- Signed with understanding did not include Marianas.
- Willing to be quoted and sign affadavit that change made after E.P. and HG. signatures.

VS: - Rota action against Marianas participation in Micronesian Constitution Convention.

HW: - Need to know Mariana Delegation reaction to SB 151.

EP: - E. Pangelinan fought it; can't speak for H. Guerrero.

HW: - Can't there be common Marianas Delegation position?

- What was Marianas reaction to HICOM veto?

EP: - Proper action.

- Bill resulted from Salii-Andon preplanning to bamboozle Congress.

HW: - Public Land Transfer Bill.

- Marianas amendments to HICOM Bill (military retention land).

VS: - Mistake to go to COM in forst place.

- Personally have reservations on policy statement.

EP: - HICOM right on veto.

HW: - E. Pangelinan quote in Pacific Daily News saying COM will override veto.

EP: - (silence).

HW: - What of Marianas' request for return of public land?

VS&EP: In new MDL Bill on public land.

HW: - Legal problems with new Marianas Bill.

VS: - Many problems - too much of a rush.

HW: - Ariola/MLSC role.

EP: - Much confusion.

HW: - Serious legal questions (not from OMSN).

- Good U.S. intentions.

 Would like to have seen good bill passed with no questions asked which would permit us to move ahead.

VS: - Nabors' role.

HW: - What about special MDL session to pass new Bill if DISTAD has to veto old one?

VS: - MDL hold-over committee will review and decide.

EP: - Will U.S. now go by execituve action?

HW: - Yes, no question.

VS: - What about U.S. help in drafting new bill?

HW: - Keep OMSN at arms length - use own counsel, TT and DISTAD.

- But ball in Marianas court to move.

HW: - SJR 131.

- Salii position, changes from Carmel.

- Now will fight separate administration hard.

- Why?

EP: - Palau and Marshalls issues.

VS: - Salii trying to push unity.

- Need to move ahead on rapid Marianss timetable.

HW: - MDL actions - separate administration.

HW: - Funding for MPSC.

EP: - \$85,000 voted - but may be slow getting it since it depends on receipt of revenues.

- Paid off debt with last years' \$50,000.

HW: - How was U.S. \$30-\$50 thousand spent?

EP: - \$30,000 for Round IV and the Ad Hoc Committee. \$5,000 control still in MPSC hands.

- Need modification in language on how can be spent.

HW: Homesteading.

- Said no moratorium in July.

-Made clear to Interior, HICOM and DOTA that responsibilities in TT and District and have urged HICOM District to act.

- EP and VS argued in March that can't move ahead without new policy.

EP: - Need money for surveys.

HW: - Coleman memo saying money there but need policy first.

- Tenorio letter and FHW response.

- Make clear Washington not holding it up.

VS: - Not your fault.

- District Land Management types called to testify.

- Said things were moving but nothing happened.

EP: - Asked Coleman in August for action.

- Hopeless to talk to Ada.

HW: - Need to get together and solve problem out there.

EP: - Willing to make public statement regarding no moratorium and matter of administration and funds.

HW: - MDL Resolution says no status negotiations till moratorium cleared up.

VS: - Forget it.

HW: - War claims resolution.

VS: - "Underground" activities of Claims Commission. Mr. Maddox (Diane's spouse) took a trip to Russia too extensive to come out of own pocket - where did money come from?

HW: - Draft Agreement.

- Substantive issues.

JW: - Working draft and no commitments from Willens.

EP: - Will look over and comment.

HW: - Land Committee Report.

EP: - Only a few issues.

- Purchase vs. lease.

- Price.
- Other items can be solved.

HW: - Surveys complete.

- Leasebacks solvable.
- Other problems.
 - Schools IK.
 - Recreational facilities a problem.