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INSTRUCTIONS TO BERGESEN 11/20/74

See Pangelinan, if back, and Santos and convey following message from Ambassador:

- 1. U.S. has been considering further the MPSC invitation to begin on December 2 in light Bergesen report of his 11/16 conversation with Santos regarding meeting in week of December 2.
- 2. Believe it would be useful, if MPSC concurs, to open with preliminary meetings December 2 and 3 and a formal opening on 5 December. (Santos will probably wish to send MDL representative to Honolulu meeting.)
 - 3. Topics to be discussed informally at December 2-3 meetings would be:
 - a. Review of work of drafting committee.
 - b. Review of work of land committee.
 - c. Firming up agenda (U.S. views on this given Santos November 16).

(Doesn't preclude concurrent land committee meeting if necessary.)

- 4. Leave to Pangelinan and Santos who besides principals might be there on MPSC side but would like attendance to be limited on both sides.
- 5. If not too inconvenient for Marianas representatives, informal sessions might be held in Guam; otherwise Ambassador Williams would go on to Saipan for preliminary talks.
- 6. On foregoing basis Ambassador Williams would expect to arrive Guam December 1 and depending on arrangements for preliminary meetings, to arrive Saipan December 2 or 4 prior to formal opening on December 5. Expect session to last two weeks or as long as needed.
- 7. Keep both sides informed, going to Eddie and Ben first, then Palacios and Tenorio.

- 8. Maintain written record of conversations.
- 9. MNS release on December meeting to be jointly prepared by Bergesen and MPSC.
 - Meetings as planned.
 - At invitation of MPSC (solid front).

