

Bf

C.F. 1895
5751

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

March 27, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK FROEBE

FROM: *Jack* Murphy

SUBJECT: Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America...

The attached, document, subject as above, was given to the President during his appointment with Mr. Edward Pangelinan, Chairman of the Marianas Political Status Commission, and Senator P.A. Tenorio.

This document is logged with a different number from that assigned to the Presidential Taker (#1436) in order that further staffing may be initiated.

It would appear that State is involved to the extent that someone, somehow has to advise the Security Council of the UN of this decision. And, of course there are a number of legalismsto be complied with such as notification to Congress, and other Executive Branch agencies...

This begins to look like a fit subject for the Federal Register.

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library

RECEIVED
AUG 30 1975
GENERAL FILES



NSC CORRESPONDENCE PROFILE

DOC		RECD			LOG NBR	(INITIAL ACTION O.)
MO	DA	MO	DA	HR	7501895	<i>Free</i>
2	15	3	27	14		

Free *Murphy*

TO: ~~PRES~~ _____ FROM: KISSINGER, H _____ REFERENCE: _____ CIRCLE AS APPROPRIATE

KISSINGER _____ COLBY, W _____ S/S _____ UNCLAS LOG IN/OUT

SCOWCROFT _____ SCHLESINGER, J _____ OTHER _____ LOU NO FORN NODIS

DAVIS _____ ST EX SEC _____ S _____ EYES ONLY EXDIS

S _____ CODEWORD

TS _____ SENSITIVE

SUBJECT: *Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Caribbean States in Political Union with the U.S.*

INTERNAL ROUTING AND DISTRIBUTION			REC CY FOR	ACTION REQUIRED
	ACTION	INFO		
ADVANCE CYS TO HAK/SCOWCROFT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			MEMO FOR HAK ()
STAFF SECRETARY				MEMO FOR PRES ()
FAR EAST <i>Free</i>	X			REPLY FOR _____ ()
SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA				APPROPRIATE ACTION (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>)
MID EAST / NO. AFRICA / SO. ASIA				MEMO _____ TO _____ ()
EUROPE / CANADA				RECOMMENDATIONS ()
LATIN AMERICA				JOINT MEMO ()
UNITED NATIONS		X		REFER TO _____ FOR: _____ ()
ECONOMIC				ANY ACTION NECESSARY? ()
SCIENTIFIC				CONCURRENCE ()
PROGRAM ANALYSIS				DUE DATE: <i>4-3</i>
NSC PLANNING				COMMENTS: (INCLUDING SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS)
CONGRESSIONAL				<i>with Jan 1436 for further action</i>
OCEANS POLICY				
INTELLIGENCE			X	

DATE	FROM	TO	S	SUBSEQUENT ACTION REQUIRED (OR TAKEN):	CY TO
<i>8/22</i>	<i>ST</i>	<i>NSC/S</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>No action required</i>	

DISPATCH _____

CY RQMTS: SEE ABOVE PLUS: _____

NOTIFY _____ & DATE _____ BY _____

SPECIAL DISPOSITION: _____

CROSS REF W/ *7501436*

SUSPENSE CY ATTACHED: _____ FOLDER: _____

AUG 29 1975 BY *ABC*

MICROFILM & FILE RQMTS:

CRT SA _____ SF _____

OPEN HP _____ NS _____

CLOSE WH EP _____

PA _____ DY _____

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library

(5)

MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FOR THE FILE

EXECUTIVE

DATE 3/14/75

ST 51
PR 7
FO 9
Pangelinin, Edward
Tenorio, P. A.
Williams, F. Haydn (Amb)

~~LETTER, MEMO, ETC.~~

TO: WARREN RUSTAND

FROM: JEANNE DAVIS

SUBJECT: Proposed Call on the President by Two Northern
Marianas Leaders

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library

CORRESPONDENCE FILED CENTRAL FILES - CONFIDENTIAL FILE

SPECIAL FILES

MEMORANDUM

ACTION
1436

C.F.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

CONFIDENTIAL GDS

March 14, 1975

file

ST 51

1975 MAR 17 AM 10 07

MEMORANDUM FOR WARREN RUSTAND

FROM: Jeanne W. Davis *JWD*

SUBJECT: Proposed Call on the President by
Two Northern Marianas Leaders

We believe the call on the President by the two Marianas political leaders, Mr. Pangelinin and Senator Tenorio, is particularly important for two reasons:

-- The opponents of the Covenant that we just signed with the Northern Marianas are taking every advantage of hostile statements in the U. S. Congress (e. g. , by Senators Hart and Kennedy) to argue that American political opinion is against the Covenant and that the U. S. does not care about the Marianas. The President's readiness to meet with two Marianas political figures who support the Covenant would undercut these arguments dramatically and would have a highly favorable impact in the upcoming Plebiscite.

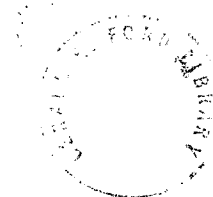
-- The Marianas are not just a bunch of little islands in the middle of nowhere. They are strategically located north of Guam and east of Japan; one of them, Tinian, will be one of our most important strategic centers in the Pacific with a large air base. Moreover, they will represent the first U. S. territorial addition since 1917.

Ambassador Haydn Williams, the President's Personal Representative for the negotiations with the Marianas and with other Trust Territories of the Pacific, strongly recommends the meeting although he has been told that the President's schedule is very crowded. He has also told us that the two gentlemen would be prepared to extend their stay until next week to meet the President.

CONFIDENTIAL GDS

14214 5/31/90

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library



*HCO - Possible Meeting Paper
for Tues A.M. Session.*

1436

*Hold for follow up
By J. Davis*

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL
DATE: March 14, 1975
FROM: Henry A. Kissinger *BO*
VIA: Warren S. Rustand

CONFIDENTIAL GDS

MEE TING: Courtesy call on you by two Northern Marianas political leaders -- Mr. Edward Pangelinan, Chairman of the Marianas Political Status Commission, and Senator P. A. Tenorio.

DATE: Any time during the period March 10-18, 1975.

PURPOSE: To demonstrate the importance we attach to the recently concluded commonwealth agreement with the Northern Marianas, and to Micronesia generally.

FORMAT: - The Oval Office
- Messrs. Pangelinan and Tenorio, Ambassador Williams, and General Scowcroft
- 10 minutes

CABINET PARTICIPATION: None.

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points would be provided.

PRESS COVERAGE: Meeting to be announced.
Official photographer.

STAFF: Henry A. Kissinger

RECOMMEND: Henry A. Kissinger, Ambassador F. Haydn Williams, Your Personal Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations

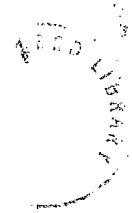
OPPOSED: None.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: To the best of our knowledge, you have met neither of these gentlemen.

CONFIDENTIAL GDS

KBH 5/31/90

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library



BACKGROUND:

On February 15 we signed an agreement with the Northern Marianas making them a commonwealth of the U. S. This is the first U. S. territorial addition since 1917. It is also the first time in history that a trusteeship territory has asked to merge with the administering metropolitan state.

The Marianas broke away from the other five districts of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (TTPI) in early 1972, in order to negotiate a closer political union with the U. S. than that desired by the other five districts.

The commonwealth agreement must now be submitted to a plebiscite, which we hope will be held before next July. The agreement must also be submitted to our Congress. There is some opposition in the Northern Marianas to the agreement, and leaders in the other five districts have not yet given up their effort to bring the Northern Marianas back into their fold.

A meeting between you and these two leaders would have a beneficial impact on preparations for the plebiscite.

Pangelinan has been one of the leading advocates of commonwealth within the U. S. political union, and Mr. Tenorio has just been elected as a Senator to succeed Pangelinan in the Congress of Micronesia. They are good friends of ours. Both will be here to testify at the Jackson Committee hearings on our administration of the TTPI.

APPROVE _____ DISAPPROVE _____

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library

Memo stressing importance
of visit w/ Pres. by two
Northern Messiahs 3/17/75

Edw: SCHEDULING ROUTING MEMO

Subject: _____ Originator: J Davis

To Individual	Processed	Comments
___ W. Nicholson	_____	_____
1 W. Rustand	_____	_____
___ Staff to:	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
___ H. Donaldson	_____	Propose for 4:30 Wednesday WR
___ M. Widner	_____	_____
___ M. Rawlins	_____	_____
___ N. Gemmell	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Return to: _____

Action: _____

Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library