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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ACTION

June 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

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FROM: THOMAS J. BARNES

SUBJECT: Proposed Presidential Letter of Reply to Northern Mariana Islands Legislature

The Speaker of the Northern Mariana Islands Legislature, Vicente N. Santos, has written the President a letter (Tab B) conveying the Legislature's Resolution No. 102-1976 of April 27, 1976. The letter and the Resolution express appreciation and gratitude to the President for acting favorably on the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The Office for Micronesian Status Negotiations has proposed a draft reply (Tab A) for the President's signature. We concur in OMSN's recommendation (Tab C) that the President personally acknowledge the Resolution.

Douglas Smith, of Robert Hartmann's office, has cleared the text of the proposed letter.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I to the President forwarding the letter for his signature.

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