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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

URGENT ACTION

September 3, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Designation of Philip W. Manhard as U.S. Deputy Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations

Ambassador Philip Manhard has been acting since last June as the U.S. Deputy Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations. While this position is not a Presidential appointment, it would be helpful to have his permanent appointment to that position posted by the White House, as was done in the case of Manhard's predecessors Manhard is leaving on a trip to Micronesia next week and it therefore would be appreciated if a press notice (Tab A) on his designation could be posted as soon as possible.



The President has announced the designation of Philip W. Manhard as the U.S. Deputy Representative for Micronesian Status Negotiations and also as Chairman of the NSC Under Secretaries Committee's Interagency Group for Micronesian Status Negotiations.

Ambassador Manhard has been a career Foreign Service Officer since 1948, with assignments in China, Korea, Japan and the East Asian and Pacific Bureau of the State Department. He has also served as Deputy Political Advisor to the Commander-in-Chief, Pacific, and as an Advisor to the U.S. United Nations Delegation. Assigned to South Vietnam in 1967, he was held prisoner in North Vietnam 1968-1973, and received the State Department's Award for Valor in 1973. His last appointment was Ambassador to Mauritius 1974-1976.

After graduating magna cum laude from the University of Southern California in 1943, he served as a Marine Corps Officer in the Pacific theater in World War II. He is married to the former Margaret Booth and they have three children.

