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THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski  
FROM: Cyrus Vance *cv*  
SUBJECT: Micronesian Negotiator

I recommend Peter Rosenblatt for the position as the President's Special Representative for Micronesian Negotiations. We have the informal concurrence of the Department of Defense. Rosenblatt is currently in private law practice in Washington and has had foreign policy experience at AID and on the White House staff, as well as with several groups in a private capacity. He would serve, like the last Special Representative, on a part-time basis.

Given the President's public statement that the new Administration is giving new importance to the Micronesian negotiations and is committed to the early termination of the Trusteeship, I believe it is necessary that Rosenblatt have the personal rank of Ambassador. Both Phil Manhard, who has been the acting negotiator, and Haydn Williams, the last Special Representative, have held the title of Ambassador. (Manhard's rank comes from his stint in Mauritius.) Sending a new Special Representative without the rank of Ambassador might be resented by the Micronesians, who are particularly sensitive to these nuances, and would make our work much more difficult. Rosenblatt has already received the approval of the Ambassadorial Review Commission (he had been suggested as a candidate for Ambassador to Turkey or Austria).

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I hope that we can have Rosenblatt on board, at least as an "advisor", in time for him to attend the next session of consultations with the Micronesians in mid-July.

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- 1966 Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Near East/So. Asia,  
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- 1969-71 Corporate Vice-President & Director, EDP Technology, Inc.; Chairman, International Development Services, Inc. Senior executive of electronics firm with 300 employees and chaired subsidiary which executed development contracts for AID and multilateral organization in developing countries.
- 1972-present General law practice.

OTHER:

- 1965-66 Secretary, Committee on the Criminal Courts, New York County Lawyers' Assn.
- 1968 Post Office Department Meritorious Service Award.
- 1970-72 Special Consultant on political and foreign policy to Senator Edmund S. Muskie during his presidential campaign
- 1971 Fellowship in Middle Eastern Studies, Tel-Aviv University, Israel.
- 1973-present Chairman, Executive Committee, Coalition for a Democratic Majority.
- 1974-76 Middle East Study Group, Democratic Advisory Council of Elected Officials.
- 1976- Board member, Committee on the Present Danger.