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TO: Secretary of State
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Director, Office of Management and Budget
Attorney General
Secretary of Transportation
Secretary of Energy
Secretary of Commerce
Secretary of Health and Human Services

FROM: James L. Buckley, IAG Chairman *job.*

SUBJECT: Policy Review of Micronesia Status Negotiations

Pursuant to Deputy Secretary Clark's designation of me as Chairman of the Interagency Group on Micronesia in replacement of the former Counselor of the Department, I am convening an initial meeting of the Interagency Group on March 23 at 3:00 p.m. in the Department of State, room 7227. Please confirm the names of your representatives to Allen R. Overmyer of my staff at 632-0004.

Pursuant to a 1969 Presidential decision to terminate the UN Trusteeship, the U.S. has been engaged in negotiations which culminated with the initialing of a Compact, ad referendum, which sets forth the political, strategic, and economic relationship between the U.S. and the three Micronesian governments. As soon as possible, we need to determine the new Administration's position by undertaking a major policy review.

AGENDA

I believe we should move immediately to: a) review U.S. interests in Micronesia; b) identify principal issues facing us there; c) review the documents thus far negotiated and the extent to which they do or do not meet U.S. interests; and d) consider possible alternatives.

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The purpose of the first IAG will be to: a) distribute the Compact and various subsidiary agreements; and b) provide a brief overview of the negotiations.

For your information, the following offices have, in the past, been coordinating the Micronesian negotiations with the IAG:

- Department of Interior -- Territorial and International Affairs
- Department of Defense -- Under Secretary for Policy
- Joint Chiefs of Staff -- J5
- Office of Management and Budget
- Department of Justice -- Office of Legal Counsel
- Department of Transportation -- General Counsel
- Department of Energy -- Office of Environment
- Department of Commerce -- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration -- Assistant Administrator for Fisheries
- Coast Guard -- Office of General Maritime Law
- Department of State -- Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs
- U.S. Mission to the United Nations
- Commandant of the Coast Guard

cc: Office of Micronesian Status Negotiations

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