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MEMORANDUM TO MR. WILLIAM P. CLARK  
THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: The Future Political Status of Palau (TTPI):  
Draft NSDD

Attached are the SIG Memorandum and draft NSDD outlining the decisions and recommendations of the Micronesia Interagency Group reached at its meeting of August 4. The draft NSDD amends NSDD No. 10 by authorizing the U.S. negotiator to extend the provisions of the Compact of Free Association and to commit new funding. The SIGM sets forth the rationale supporting these instructions. Both documents have unanimous SIG-level interagency clearance.

Early action to approve the draft NSDD is requested in order to enhance our negotiating position. The SIGM is submitted for the record.

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Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. SIGM No. 5 - Palau
2. Proposed NSDD

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