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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

of activities affecting the U.S. Territories and the Trust Territory of Pacific Islands

Special Assistant Teri Klein met this week with regional officials of the Public Health Service and the University of Hawaii in Honolulu to review preliminary data and findings on a study being conducted on health in the Pacific Islands.

AMERICAN SAMOA

Governor Peter T. Coleman visited with Assistant Secretary Richard Montoya Wednesday. He was the guest of honor at a reception hosted by the Sons of Samoa and was a special guest at a White House dinner hosted by the Vice President.

Governor-elect A. P. Lutali met Tuesday with the Assistant Secretary and senior staff to discuss OTIA's working relationship with the new administration.

GUAM

If DOI and the Guam Legislature can reach agreement on the language, a document authorizing the refinancing of a \$36 million Guam Power Authority loan is scheduled to be signed Monday by Governor Ricardo Bordallo and Secretary Clark.

Delegate-elect Ben Blaz arrived in Washington this week to attend briefing sessions being conducted by the House of Representatives for new members of Congress.

VIRGIN ISLANDS

Assistant Secretary Richard Montoya addressed a conference of the new Virgin Islands Legislature in St. Croix. He also met with Governor Juan Luis, Lt. Governor Julio Brady and Commissioner of Public Safety Otis Felix to review law enforcement in the VI.

TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

High Commissioner Janet McCoy will arrive in Washington next week to assist in the preparation of testimony by OTIA officials before the House Interior's Subcommittee on Public Lands and National parks on December 12. The issue - Health in Micronesia.

