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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

September 7, 1985

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. MCFARLANE

FROM:

DAVID N. LAUX

SUBJECT:

Request that You Telephone Senators Mc

Packwood this Weekend or Monday, September

re Micronesia Compact Bill

Mike Armacost chaired another IG Friday afternoon, September 6, to finalize Administration strategy and tactics for getting the Micronesia Compact Bill through the Senate by September 13, and through Conference by September 20. It was the unanimous recommendation of the IG representatives that you make two telephone calls to open up the campaign -- first to Senator McClure and then to Senator Packwood. The calls could be made over the weekend, or on Monday, September 9, their first day back in session.

The purpose of the calls is primarily to impart a sense of urgency to them that it is very important -- for national security reasons -- that the Bill get through the Congress by September 20, and this means through the Senate by September 13. Your call is also to pave the way for a visit by Al Keel, Pam Turner, and a couple of others on Tuesday, September 10, to nail down solutions to the remaining problems so it can be brought to the Senate floor.

After your calls, and the group's visit, it is planned that Secretary Shultz would then telephone Senator Dole about getting the Bill on the calendar. Secretary Weinberger may also make a couple of calls to reinforce the national security and timing concerns, and Treasury will be dealing with Rostenkowski.

Gaston Sigur, concurs.

RECOMMENDATION: That you make the telephone calls to Senators McClure and Packwood, using the talking points (slightly different in each case) at Tab I.

Disapprove

ATTACHMENTS

TAB I Talking Points to

Senator McClure

TAB B Senator Packwood

under previsione of E.O. 12356 by D. Van Tassel, National Security Council 11-87-249)

