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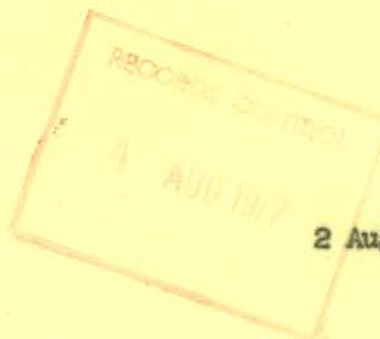
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2 August 1977

Sir,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I have the honour to
..... transmit herewith, for the attention of your Government, the
conclusions and recommendations concerning the Trust Territory of
the Pacific Islands, adopted by the Special Committee on the
Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on
the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
at its 1087th meeting, on 2 August 1977.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

N. Swai
Officer-in-Charge
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Trusteeship and Decolonization

His Excellency
Mr. Andrew Young
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TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Conclusions and recommendations adopted by the Special Committee at its 1087th meeting, on 2 August 1977

(1) The Special Committee reaffirms the inalienable right of the people of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands to self-determination in conformity with the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples, contained in General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV) of 14 December 1960. The Committee reaffirms the importance of ensuring that the people fully and freely exercise their rights in this respect and that the obligations of the Administering Authority are duly discharged.

(2) Fully aware of the special circumstances of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, owing to such factors as its size, geographical location, population and limited resources, the Special Committee reiterates its view that these circumstances should in no way delay the speedy implementation of the Declaration, which fully applies to the Territory.

(3) The Special Committee continues to note with regret the refusal of the Administering Authority to co-operate with the Committee on this item by declining to participate in the examination of the situation in the Trust Territory. It calls once more upon the United States of America, as the Administering Authority concerned, to comply with its repeated requests that a representative be present at meetings of the Committee to provide vital and up-to-date information which would thereby assist the Committee in the formulation of conclusions and recommendations concerning the future of the Trust Territory.

(4) The Special Committee notes with satisfaction that the Administering Authority has affirmed its intention to help the peoples of Micronesia to move swiftly towards a new political status based on self-determination, and shares the view expressed by the Trusteeship Council at its forty-fourth session that the people should be given the fullest opportunity to inform themselves about the future political status and constitutional alternatives open to them, including independence. In this connexion, it further notes the reaffirmation of the Administering Authority that it continues to desire to find in consultation with the Micronesians a mutually satisfactory basis for the termination of the Trusteeship Agreement by 1981. The Special Committee again seizes this opportunity to stress its view that the unity of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands should be preserved until it exercises its right to self-determination in accordance with resolution 1514 (XV).

(5) The Special Committee reiterates its concern that the Administering Authority has still not implemented the Committee's previous recommendation that necessary regulations should be adopted which will make paramount the special interests of the Trust Territory vis-à-vis the international obligations of the Administering Authority, with the ultimate objective of restricting as far as possible occasions for the exercise of the power of veto by the High Commissioner. The Special Committee remains aware, in this connexion, that some of the difficulties associated with the use of the veto power result from the separation of powers between the legislative and executive branches and that these difficulties are further exacerbated because the latter function is exercised by an appointed rather than an elected Chief Executive.

(6) The Special Committee is firmly of the view that the Administering Authority should give further consideration to preparing Micronesians to assume the highest executive functions. The Committee shares the view of the

Trusteeship Council that a Micronesian be promoted to the second most senior post in the executive branch.

(7) The Special Committee notes the approval by the High Commissioner of laws authorizing district legislatures to draft charters for district governments. It also notes the creation of a new district, Kosrae, at the beginning of 1977.

(8) The Special Committee shares the desire of the Trusteeship Council that the Congress of Micronesia be given greater influence with respect to the budget process. In this connexion, it welcomes the recognition of the Joint Committee on Program and Budget Planning of the Congress as the primary review body for the request for the annual grant addressed to the United States.

(9) The Special Committee continues to regret the lack of significant economic development in the Trust Territory. The Committee welcomes the adoption by the Congress of Micronesia of the five-year indicative development plan and its approval by the Administering Authority. It expresses the hope that the Administration of the Trust Territory will adhere to the plan and that financial support, in particular, will be available for its implementation. The Committee reiterates its view that the provision of local credit facilities is essential to the economic development of the Trust Territory.

(10) The Special Committee urges the completion of the land identification and survey work according to the time-table envisaged in order to provide complete and up-to-date records of land ownership as soon as possible.

(11) With reference to statements by representatives of the people of Palau, among others, critical to the development of a super-port at Palau and noting further the commitments of the Administering Authority to study the possible effects of such an installation and, in particular, the promise not to approve its development if it is opposed by the people of Palau, the Special Committee endorses the Trusteeship Council's recommendation that the Administering Authority give careful consideration to the views of the Congress of Micronesia on this matter.

(12) The Special Committee notes with satisfaction that the United Nations Development Programme has prepared a continuing programme of assistance to the Trust Territory and that three project requests have been transmitted to the United Nations Development Programme. It also notes with satisfaction that a request for assistance from the World Food Programme is being prepared.

(13) The Special Committee notes with satisfaction that the Congress of Micronesia continues to enjoy observer status at the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea and that such participation is expected to continue.

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22 MAY 1973

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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations and, in accordance with rule 98 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, has the honour to transmit herewith the Report of the United Nations Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1973.

17 May 1973

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8 January, 1973.

Dear Mr. Under-Secretary-General,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 11 September, 1972 (file number TR 100(1) PAIS(1) 1973) ✓ concerning the periodic Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands which is to be despatched early in 1973 under Trusteeship Council resolution 2157 (XXXIX).

I should like to advise you that Mr. C.R. Ashwin, Deputy Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations, is nominated by my Government as a member of the Visiting Mission.

Yours sincerely,


(L.R. McIntyre)
Permanent Representative

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7 December 1972

TR 100(1) PAIS (1) 1973

Dear Mr. Sosue,

I should like to refer to your letter of 23 November 1972, addressed to the Chairman of the 1973 United Nations Visiting Mission to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

I wish to inform you, in this regard, that the contents of your letter will be brought to the attention of the members of the Visiting Mission during one of its initial meetings in New York which are expected to begin shortly.

Yours sincerely,

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TR 100 (1) PAIS (1) 1973

11 September 1972

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I have the honour to refer to resolution 2157 (XXXIX), of 14 June 1972, by which the Trusteeship Council decided to dispatch early in 1973 a periodic visiting mission composed of members nominated by Australia, France, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

I should also like to refer to the decision taken by the Council at its 1403rd meeting, on 14 June 1972, that the nominations to be submitted by the Governments of the four countries concerned would automatically be approved when received.

It would be greatly appreciated, in this regard, if you would communicate to the Secretariat, at your earliest convenience, the name of the person nominated by your Government to be a member of the Mission.

I remain, dear Mr. Ambassador,
Yours sincerely,

Tang Ming-chao
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TR 100 (1) PAIS (1) 1973

le 11 septembre 1972

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur,

J'ai l'honneur de me référer à la résolution 2157 (XXXIX), du 14 juin 1972, par laquelle le Conseil de Tutelle a décidé d'envoyer au début de 1973 une Mission de Visite périodique composée de membres nommés par l'Australie, la France, l'Union des Républiques Socialistes Soviétiques et le Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord dans le Territoire sous tutelle des Iles du Pacifique.

Je voudrais également me référer à la décision prise par le Conseil à sa 1403^{ème} séance, en date du 14 juin 1972, selon laquelle les candidatures présentées par les quatre pays intéressés seraient automatiquement approuvées à leur réception.

Je vous serais en conséquence reconnaissant de bien vouloir communiquer au Secrétariat, dans les meilleurs délais, le nom de la personne désignée par votre Gouvernement pour faire partie de la Mission.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur l'Ambassadeur, les assurances de ma haute considération.

Tang Ming-Chao

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