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MEMORANDUM FOR ROZANNE RIDGWAY

FROM:

Peter R. Rosenblatt

SUBJECT:

Comments on Draft Micronesia Nuclear Claims

Paper

I strongly support your action to move forward on resolving this long-standing problem since we will soon be required to negotiate the Nuclear Claims Separate Agreement with the Marshall Islands Government and representatives of the affected people. I concur with the approach contained in the June 10 draft memo to Dr. Brzezinski.

If the proposal for a Nuclear Claims Delegation is approved I intend to nominate Dick Teare, my newly assigned deputy, to take on this difficult and challenging task.

Minor comment on the draft paper is attached.

Peter R. Rosenblatt

Attachment

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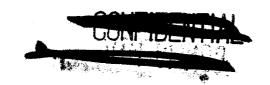
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COMMENTS ON MICRONESIA NUCLEAR CLAIMS DRAFT MEMO

Page 3, para 2B, sub-para beginning with, "The United States should..."

Recommend: This sentence be deleted.

Rationale: P.L. No. 96-205 does not envision inclusion of FSM and Palau in the consultation process of plan development.



STATE suggested changes:

2. A. Replace second sentence with:

The USG and MIG shall negotiate procedures to identify additional residents of the Marshall Islands who hold valid claims for suffering due to radiation exposure from the USG nuclear testing program in the Northern Marshall Islands between 1946 and 1958. The USG should be prepared to extend the provisions of Sec. 104 to these individuals as settlement.

2. B. Add as new first sentence to last paragraph:

The USG and MIG shall negotiate procedures to identify the "other atolls" mentioned in Sec. 102 which will be included in the provisions of this act.

2. B. Next to last paragraph: delete first sentence.

First paragraph, first sentence: delete the phrase: "contained In Presidential Directive NSC 49 of June 6, 1979."

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