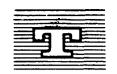
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The Secretary
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Dear Sir.

I write this letter of concern with regard to the Compact of Free Association put to the people of the Republic of Belau (formerly known as Palau) of western Micronesia by the Government of the United States of America. I understand it will be discussed at the United Nations Trusteeship Council session in May 1986.

To my knowledge, the Compact of Free Association seems to contradict the nuclear-free aspects of the Belauan Constitution and so should only be ratified by a 75 per cent vote. And may I emphasize the need for a 75 per cent voter approval? The Compact of Free Association seems to be able to give the United States Government control over Belauan resources and foreign affairs. This would contradict the United Nations definition of free association. Also, the copies of the Compact of Free Association available to the people of Belau were printed in English and were not available to the people of Belau in their native language.

I hope this letter of concern over the points I have made may be registered and considered.

J. BOREHAM