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PETITION FROM MS. TERRY JAMES CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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The President Trusteeship Council United Nations New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you to express my concern over the situation of the people of Belau, who are still resisting the attempts of the United States Government to introduce a Compact of Free Association in place of their present protection under the Trusteeship Agreement 1/ for the strategic Trust Territory.

I understand that the Belauans have just rejected the Compact decisively for the seventh time. This must demonstrate conclusively their determination to reject "free association" and American military/nuclear ambitions and to remain under the protection of the United Nations for the immediate future.

May I appeal to you to ensure that the Trusteeship Agreement is not terminated or violated - in respect of the whole of Micronesia - and that the constitutional right of the Belauan people to self-determination and to a nuclear-free future for their children is not denied.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Terry JAMES (Ms.)

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1/ Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (United Nations publication, Sales No. 1957.VI.A.1).
