



Trusteeship Council

UN LIBRARY

MAY 20 1987

UN COLLECTION

Distr.
GENERAL

T/PET.10/524
13 May 1987

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

PETITION FROM MS. ANNE E. SIMON, STAFF ATTORNEY,
CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, CONCERNING THE
TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

(Circulated in accordance with rule 85, paragraph 1, of the
rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council)

Center for Constitutional Rights
666 Broadway
New York, N.Y. 10012

8 May 1987

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

Re: Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands: Palau

Dear Mr. President:

I am one of the attorneys for the plaintiffs in the case of Gibbons, et al. v. Salii, et al., Appeal No. 8-86 (Appellate Division, Supreme Court of Palau, 17 September 1986). I have been asked by Ibedul Yutaka M. Gibbons, one of the plaintiffs, to request permission for him, pursuant to rule 80 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, to present a petition relating to the current situation in Palau to the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-fourth session, in May 1987.

Ibedul Gibbons, accompanied by Tosiwo Nakamura, one of the principal drafters of the Palau Constitution, will arrive in New York on the morning of 13 May, and will be here until 16 or 17 May. I regret that, owing to the deterioration of the telephone connection, I was unable to determine whether both Ibedul Gibbons and Mr. Nakamura will be making presentations to the Trusteeship Council, and respectfully request that the Council allow time for both of them to speak.

This request is made to you on behalf of Ibedul Gibbons, and is independent of my request of 30 April to present a petition relating to the Gibbons v. Salii litigation. The Ibedul has asked me to convey to you his view that it would be important for the Trusteeship Council to hear both petitions.

Thank you for your attention to this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Anne E. SIMON
Staff Attorney

cc: Ibedul Yutaka M. Gibbons
