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

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30 April 1987

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

Re: Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands: Palau

Dear Sir,

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). In that case, Palau's highest court decided that the proposed Compact of Free Association between Palau and the United States had not been ratified in the plebiscite held in February 1986.

Because this litigation was decided during the summer of 1986, information about the court decision and its implications was not available to the Trusteeship Council at its last session. I therefore request permission, pursuant to rule 80 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, to present a petition on this topic to the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-fourth session, in May 1987.

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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