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PETITION FROM MRS. JEAN DAVIDSON, HONORARY SECRETARY, ST. ANDREWS UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION, CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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July 12, 1987

Sir John Birch President Trusteeship Council United Nations New York City 10017 U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

Re: Palau in Micronesia

American pressure has forced two of the three Micronesian Territories under the trusteeship of the United States of America to join a Free Association Compact giving military rights to the United States in return for revenue to their Governments.

Palau, however, is holding out against American pressure chiefly because of the nuclear-free clause they insist on keeping in their Constitution.

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As Chairman of the third Observer Mission to Palau, the then British Ambassador promised the Palauans that their future would be referred to the Security Council of the United Nations. The Palauans are looking to Britain to honour this undertaking.

Our United Nations Association group begs you to support the Palau Government in their representations to the United Nations Security Council. Having seen the disastrous effects of nuclear testing on other Micronesian territories, the Palauans are naturally anxious to safeguard the health of their people and to maintain their Constitutional rights.

Please help them.

Yours sincerely,

(<u>Signed</u>) Mrs. Jean Davidson Hon. Secretary, St. Andrews United Nations Association
