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PETITION FROM MR. ALAN GRAHAM CONCERNING THE TRUST TERRITORY
OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

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Secretary-General United Nations Trusteeship Council New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Sir,

Subject: Belau

I have read many times of the treatment that is being afforded by the United States of America to the Belauan people in connection with the Compact of Free Association. I cannot stay silent any longer and, as a past international staff member of [the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East] UNRWA, I am writing to plead that the United Nations intercede on behalf of the Government of Belau. The United Nations has a responsibility to see that the people of Belau are protected under the United Nations Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

I understand the Belauans have now voted eight times against United States interference and yet the United States Government persists in putting economic and other pressure on the Belauan people.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Alan GRAHAM